

other achievements. The property was later managed by two sons and was eventually sold off, the last plots going to form the Nundah railway station. Whilst there George and Mary had more children, **Thomas (4)**(1853) (**see (F) below**); George Josiah (1856); Susanna Edith (1858); John Brightman (1860); Mary Jane (1862) and a short lived unnamed baby in 1864. George died in 1898 and Mary in 1904.

(F) Thomas (4) Bridges

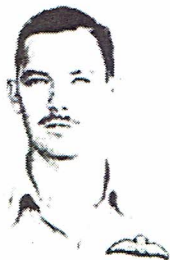
Thomas Bridges married Margaret Elizabeth Lee in 1877 and helped his father with the various farming and dairy ventures. He stood for parliament and was successful in 1896. He became a respected and successful parliamentarian and his story too is contained in Margaret Outridge's book (detailed in section E above) which for obvious copyright reasons can not be reproduced here. Thomas (4) stood in the legislative assembly until 1918 with only a 2 year break between 1907 and 1909. He was also a government whip for several years. He died in 1939 aged 85 after collapsing whilst visiting a sick friend in hospital and this full story was carried in The Courier Mail on June 5th 1939.

Thomas and Margaret had 4 sons and 7 daughters including son, Willie born in 1893, see **(G)** below and Thomas George (see section A above).

(G) Willie Bridges

Like his brother Thomas George, Willie also went into the armed forces. Born in 1893, he enlisted as a signaller in the Australian Imperial Forces in 1916. Either side of World War 1, he worked on the Queensland Railways working up from railway night officer to Station Manager. His son Thomas William was born in 1921, see **(H)** below.

(H) Thomas (5) William Bridges



Thomas William enlisted in the Royal Australian Air Force in 1941 and was discharged in 1946. He received full honours as well as the Air Force Cross for gallantry. Due to the secret nature of his unit, the details were not published until late 1970s. Jan Bridges supplied the details overleaf.