

Kantha Sithamparapillai

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Birth : 7 April 1925

Death: 20 March 2010

Mrs Kantha Sithamparapillai was born in Singapore to Mr Sivagurunathan and Mrs Manonmani of Thumpalai, Point Pedro. She was the third child amongst nine siblings, comprising 5 girls and 4 boys. She spent her early formative years in Singapore where her father taught Mathematics at the famed Raffles Institution.

Her idyllic life in Singapore was cut short by the advent of the Second World War and the Sivagurunathan family returned to establish new roots in a foreign isle Sri Lanka. Life initially was confusing and alien but they soon settled down. Kantha then married the young and debonair Mr Sithamparapillai of Arthiady in 1952. Theirs was a wedding to remember. The young couple soon settled to a life of domestic bliss. Soon their marriage was blessed with four beautiful children. Sithamparapillai was posted to Colombo to serve in his illustrious career in the Bank of Ceylon. Kantha was then left holding the fort- her husband returning home during weekends – once or twice a month. Their hectic life gradually settled when Sithamparapillai was posted to Jaffna and subsequently retired. Just when they were beginning to settle down, another war erupted – the civil unrest. This affected them badly and they were forced to migrate to Australia.

1988, saw another turning point in Kantha's life – another big move, another foreign land. But this time supported by the love of her life and her loving children, she set out to make a life for her family and herself. She lived in Perth and Melbourne initially and finally settled down in Sydney in 1994.

Her unduly love will always be cherished by the people she leaves behind:

Beloved husband - Sithamparapillai

Children – Jeyaseelan, Jeyanthi & Thavaseelan

Daughters-in-law – Chandragowry, Shanthini

Grandchildren – Ahilan, Jeevan, Nilesh & Sanjula.

