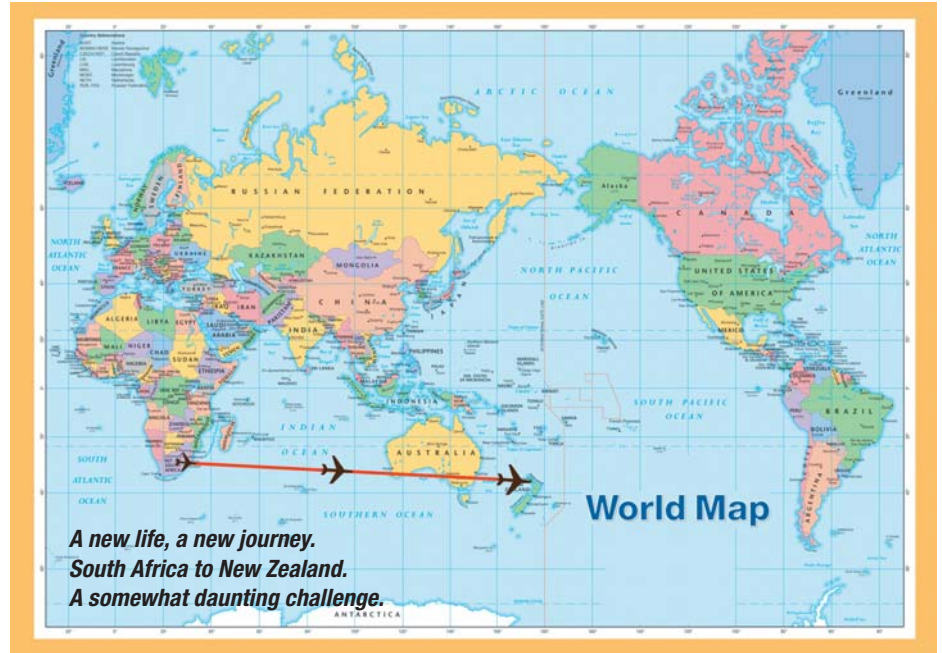


Pictured: Elizabeth with her Husband and best friend Retired Lt. Col. James Heard

to get things to work, to iron out obstacles in a way that people will be satisfied. It's not just about the price. It's not about writing a contract and waiting for the lawyers to bring it to a conclusion. It's about nursing the contract through, staying in touch with people, and as conditions change, renegotiating. Good work ethics and developing a good system in Real Estate are paramount. Recent law changes in the Real Estate industry have had little impact on my business methods as I've been following those procedures for years."

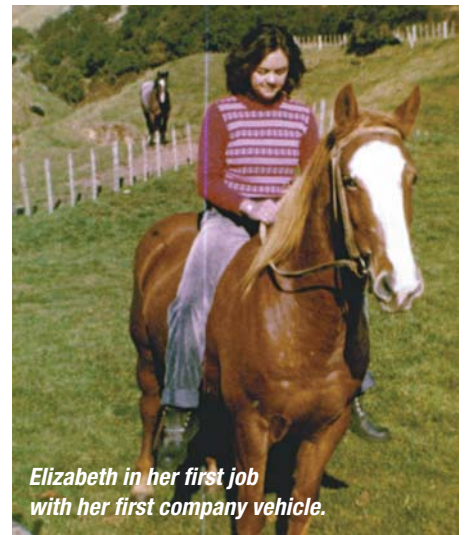
Franklin has embraced Elizabeth and her family, and they in turn, are happy to call Pukekohe home. Heather is now a news reporter for TV One, Ian has a degree in Commerce, while John has just won a scholarship for a Design degree at AUT. While educational achievement has always been important to Elizabeth, she is also proud her children gained so much practical, down to earth understanding and maturity through some tough times. And she knows the family made the right decision to stay in New Zealand

"I love living in Pukekohe," she says. "I believe in supporting local businesses and there is so much here – quality shops to choose from, wonderful cafes and restaurants. I love long walks and there are a lot of really nice areas and lovely parks to walk in. It reminds me so much of my home town in South Africa. Sunday mornings are for church at Franklin Baptist Church. I feel part of the community here and people are just great. It's wonderful to belong." ■

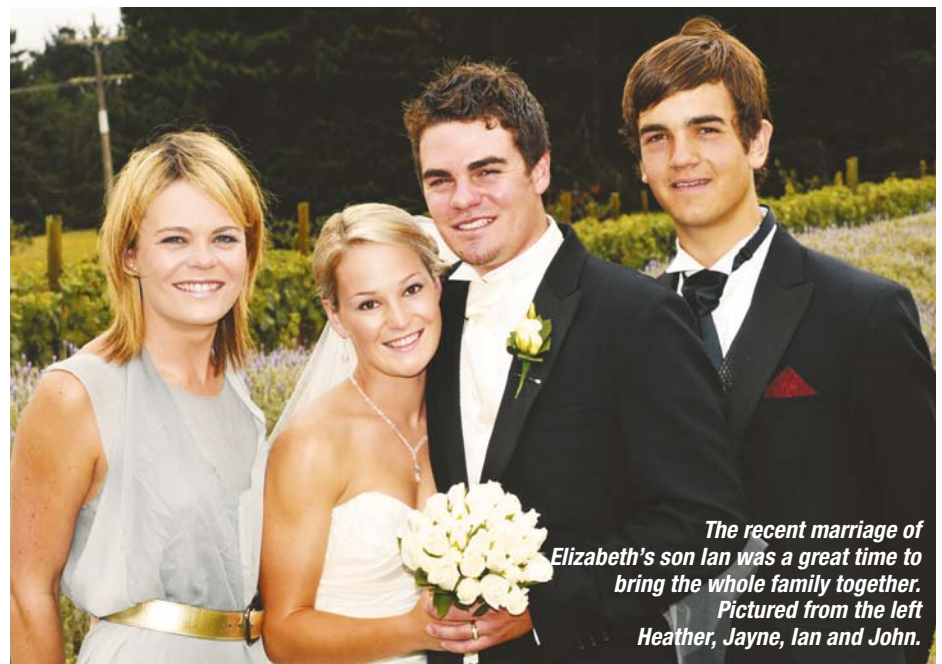


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South Africa to New Zealand.
A somewhat daunting challenge.*

“Becoming a solo mother was humbling and becoming a state beneficiary was foreign to me. Where would we rebuild our family life – in South Africa ...or in New Zealand, with all of its unknowns?”



Elizabeth in her first job with her first company vehicle.



The recent marriage of Elizabeth's son Ian was a great time to bring the whole family together. Pictured from the left Heather, Jayne, Ian and John.