

Braunds in Alaska in 1950

There was one family of Braunds in Alaska in 1950, living at 287 East Eighth Avenue in Anchorage. The household consisted of Melvin Arnold Braund, born 9 December 1916 in Detroit, Wayne, Michigan, his wife, Gertrude Evelyn Braund née Johansen, born 10 March 1918 in Cape Nome, Alaska, their two sons and one daughter, all of whom were born in Napa, California in the 1940s.

Melvin was a building contractor and the son of George Quick Braund and his wife Elsie née Machlett. Melvin's great grandfather, John Quick Braund (1824-1906), left Tiverton, Devon for Middlesex, Ontario between 1841 and 1847. It seems that it was Melvin's parents who moved from Canada to the US. Melvin belongs to branch 15 of the family.

The picture shows Melvin's grandparents, Edward and Annie Braund, with their five children.



From the left: Annie, George (Melvin's father), Gerald, Edward junior and Edward. The two girls are Mildred and Beulah but we don't know which is which.