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RUSSELL COLE⁵ ROUS (MICHAEL-JON 'DON' COLE⁴, GRAHAM COLE³, JAMES COLE², JAMES COOPER¹) was born on 7 June 1966 in Mater Dei Hospital, East London, South Africa. He married JANET ELIZABETH TYSON on 29 May 1993 in Grahamstown, South Africa. She was born on 11 June 1969. Russell is the great grandson of ANNA LOUISE⁶ FLEMMER (CHRISTIAN LUDVIG⁵) who was born on 28 January 1874 in Cradock, South

Africa and died on 22 February 1941 in Frances Street, Observatory, Johannesburg, South Africa. She married JAMES COLE ROUS on 26 March 1902 in the DRC, Cradock, South Africa, son of JAMES ROUS and ALIXA COLE. He was born on 25 April 1874 in Pretoria, South Africa and died on 9 May 1931 in Middelburg, South Africa.

Russell was born on 7 June 1966 at the Mater Dei Hospital in East London. The eldest son of Don and Rosemary Rous (nee Russell)

He started school at Midshaft in 1972. Midshaft was between Steynsberg and the Garip Dam but is no longer there. In 1973 the family moved back to Welvenpas (The Farm) near Middelburg where Russell attended Karel Theron Primary School. In 1976 he moved to Union High School in Graaff Reinet and was there from 1976 to 1981 at which time he and his two sisters (Lazelle and Sheradene) moved to new schools in Grahamstown Russell to Graeme College his sisters to Victoria Girls High School.

Russell was at Graeme College from 1982 to 1984 in which year he matriculated and where he played first team rugby in 1983 & 1984 receiving his school colours.

In 1985 Russell started his compulsory two year military service at the SA Intelligence School in Kimberly. He finished his first year of military service with the rank of 1st lieutenant after which he spent a year in the North of Namibia then known as South West Africa at a little place known as Oshakati which is about 100 km north of the Etosha Pan. A very interesting but fruitless year was spent traveling around the Northern border of Namibia. In 1987 Russell started a three year Marketing and Sales diploma at the Port Elizabeth Technicon. In 1990 he started work at Corobrik in Port Elizabeth as a sales representative. At the end of 1996 he resigned and moved to East London in order to venture out on his own and together with a partner (Derick Conlon) he started a company called Profile Brick and Tile. In 1994 Russell married Janet Tyson, and in 1999 they adopted their first child a daughter called Verne Rosemary Rous. In 2000 they adopted their second daughter Sarah Elizabeth Rous and in 2003 they adopted their son Cole Tye Rous.