

The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person
Entry ID: AWE0515

Adderley, Vera May

(1915 - 1984)

Born	19150917, Werris Creek New South Wales Australia
Died	19841231, New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Matron, Servicewoman

Summary

Vera Adderley worked at the Dubbo and Crown Street Hospitals before serving with the Royal Australian Air Force Nursing Service from 1941 to 1947. She joined the Parramatta Hospital in 1955 and in 1962 she was appointed Assistant Matron at the Prince Henry Hospital. Adderley became Director of Nursing Services at the Prince Henry and Prince of Wales Hospitals in 1966. She was also a council member of the College of Nursing New South Wales, the Australasian Trained Nurses' Association and the Matrons' Institute of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory. In 1978, Adderley was appointed a Member of the Order of the British Empire and a building is named in her honour on the Randwick Hospitals Campus.

Events

- 1978 - 1978**
Appointed Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE)
- 1962 - 1966**
Assistant matron at the Prince Henry Hospital
- 1966 - 1966**
Council member of the Australasian Trained Nurses' Association
- 1965 - 1965**
Council member of the College of Nursing New South Wales
- 1966 - 1966**
Council member of the Matrons' Institute of New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory
- 1966 - 1966**
Director of Nursing Services at the Prince Henry and Prince of Wales Hospitals, Sydney
- 1941 - 1947**
Served with the Royal Australian Air Force Nursing Service
- 1939 - 1939**
With Crown Street Hospital
- 1934 - 1938**
With Dubbo Hospital
- 1955 - 1962**
With Parramatta Hospital

Published resources

Edited Book

Who's Who in Australia 1968, Legge, J S, 1968

Who's Who in Australia, 1971, Legge, J S, 1971

Resource Section

ADDERLEY, VERA MAY, Department of Veterans' Affairs, 2002,
<http://www.ww2roll.gov.au/script/veteran.asp?ServiceID=R&VeteranID=1068853>

Book

Story of the RAAF nursing service : 1940-1990, Halstead, Gay., 1994

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

National Archives of Australia, National Office, Canberra

ADDERLEY VERA MAY : Service Number - 501134 : Date of birth - 17 Sep 1915 : Place of birth - Unknown : Place of enlistment - Unknown : Next of Kin - ADDERLEY V

National Library of Australia, Oral History and Folklore Collection

Vera Adderley interviewed by Amy McGrath [sound recording]

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[Biographical cuttings on Vera Adderley, containing one or more cuttings from newspapers or journals]

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Digital resources



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