The Australian Women's Register

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Childs, Thelma Minnie

(1914 - 2003)

Born	12 July, 1914, Singleton New South Wales Australia
Died	13 March, 2003
Occupation	Matron, Servicewoman

Summary

For recognition of her nursing service with the Royal Australian Air Force Nursing Service (RAAFNS), Thelma Childs was awarded the Royal Red Cross medal on 14 June 1946. She undertook her nursing training at the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, and upon completion was appointed to the staff. In 1941 she enlisted in the RAAFNS for service not only in Australia but also the United States of America, England, Canada and New Guinea. At the time of her discharge, on 2 November 1945, she held the position of Matron. Four days after her discharge she married Captain F H Childs MC.

Events

1933 - 1937

Completed nursing training at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney

1941 - 1941

Appointed to Royal Australian Air Force Nursing Service (RAAFNS) as a Staff-Nurse

1942 - 1942

Promoted to Sister, then Senior Sister

1943 - 1943

Sent on special medical escort duty to the United States of America, England and Canada

1943 - 1943

Sent to New Guinea in charge of a Medical Clearing Station

1946 - 1946

Discharge from service with rank of Matron

1945 - 1945

Married Captain F H Childs MC

1946 - 1946

Awarded Royal Red Cross Medal (First Class)

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Edited Book

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