

The Australian Women's Register

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Ladkin, Marjorie Lina

(1915 - 2009)

Born	1 January, 1915, Sydney New South Wales Australia
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Died	23 February, 2009
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Occupation	Nurse, Union organiser
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Summary

Marjorie Ladkin, née Soady, was born in Sydney, New South Wales. In 1933 she began training at the Sydney Hospital, and upon graduation worked for a nursing agency. She was the first full-time secretary of the Royal Australian Nursing Federation (South Australia Branch) serving in this position from 1965-1975. The successful development of the Branch is largely due to her dedication and drive and, innovations advocated by Ladkin have resulted in a better ratio of staff/patient care. On 13 June 1983 Marjorie Ladkin was awarded an Order of the Order of Australia for service to nursing.

Published resources

Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

State Library of South Australia

[Interview with Marjorie Ladkin \[sound recording\]](#) Interviewer: Joan Durdin

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