

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Tanner, Gladys

(1921 - 1996)

<b>Born</b>	19210101, England
<b>Died</b>	19960630
<b>Occupation</b>	Nurse, Nursing administrator

### Summary

Gladys Tanner was born in England and came to South Australia with her parents in 1925. She completed training at the Royal Adelaide Hospital in 1944. In 1951 she received a scholarship to study nursing administration at the new College of Nursing, Australia, in Melbourne. She became the first Matron of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital at Woodville in 1958. She remained in this post until her retirement in 1982. Gladys was also involved in the Nurses' Board, the Royal Australian Nursing Federation and the Royal College of Nursing, Australia.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Archival resources

#### State Library of South Australia

[Interview with Gladys Tanner \[sound recording\] Interviewer: Joan Durdin](#)

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