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Looveer, Lia

(1920 - 2006)

Born	19201004, Narva Ida-Viru Estonia
Died	20061108, Castle Hill New South Wales Australia
Occupation	Migrant community advocate, Office Manager

Summary

Born in Estonia in 1920, Lia Looveer came to Australia with her husband and daughter in 1949, settling in Sydney in 1952. She was an active member of the Estonian community in Sydney and was office manager for the Estonian weekly newspaper *Meie Rodo*, between 1956-1966.She was Secretary of the Captive Nations Council of New South Wales and Secretary General of the United Council of Migrants from Communist Dominated Europe in Australia in 1968.

Looveer joined the Liberal Party of Australia, New South Wales division, in 1955, and was a member of its Migrant Advisory Committee and of the federal Liberal Party's Advisory Committee on Ethnic Affairs, 1976-1981, as well as a member of the State Council over the same period. She is a foundation member of the Ethnic Communities' Council of N.S.W. Looveer was awarded the British Empire Medal in 1978 and received a Heritage Award from the Liberal Party of Australia, N.S.W. Division, in 2002.

Published resources

Site Exhibition
Faith, Hope and Charity Australian Women and Imperial Honours: 1901-1989, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2003,
http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/honours/honours.html

Resource
Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

Archival resources

Estonian Archives in Australia (EAA)
Estonian Archives in Australia

Mitchell and Dixson Libraries Manuscripts Collection
Captive Nations Council of New South Wales - records, 1953-1998, together with the records of the United Council of Migrants from Communist Dominated Europe in Australia, 1953-1966

Joint Baltic Committee - records, 1952-2000

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