

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
**Entry ID:** AWE3102

## Melzer, Jean Isabel

(1926 - 2013)

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**Born** 7 February, 1926, Melbourne Victoria Australia

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**Died** 18 June, 2013

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**Occupation** Parliamentarian

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### Summary

Jean Melzer served as an Australian Labor Party Senator for Victoria in the Federal Parliament from 18 May 1974 until 30 June 1981. She was defeated at the 1980 election. In 1984 she stood unsuccessfully for the Senate as a representative of the Nuclear Disarmament Party.

### Details

Jean Melzer continued to serve the community after she left the Federal Parliament. She participated actively in the University of the Third Age (U3A) in Victoria becoming president of the U3A Network in 2004. She is currently serving on the Committee.

In 2004 in recognition of her work, she was awarded both the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) and the Victorian Premier's Senior Achiever Award.

In 2006 her name was added to the Victorian Woman's Honour Roll for her contribution to Community Services, Government Local State and Federal.

### Events

#### 2006 - 2006

Inducted into the Victorian Honour Roll of Women

### Published resources

#### Resource Section

Farewell to a great Australian anti nuclear Senator, Wauchope, Noel, 2013,  
<https://nuclearnewsaustralia.wordpress.com/2013/06/25/farewell-to-a-great-australian-anti-nuclear-senator/>

#### Resource

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