

The Australian Women's Register

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Chomley, Violet Ida

(1870 - 1957)

Born	26 May, 1870, Moorabee Station, near Heathcote Victoria Australia
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Died	26 March, 1957, Bedford England
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Occupation	Councillor, Secretary, Teacher, Traveller
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Summary

Violet Ida Chomley was born in 1870 to parents William Downes Chomley and Sarah Simmonds (Cooper). Violet attended the Presbyterian Ladies' College and afterwards studied at the University of Melbourne, receiving a Bachelors degree in mathematics in 1890 and a Masters degree in 1893. After graduation Violet was employed as a secondary school teacher.

In 1902 Violet left Australia and travelled overseas for approximately six months. She settled in England in mid-1903 and began teaching soon after, first at the Christ's Hospital Girls' School and then at the Bedford High School. In 1921 Violet took up a position as a full-time secretary and in 1936 she was elected to the Bedford Town Council. Violet Chomley passed away in Bedford on March 26, 1957.

Archival resources

State Library of Victoria

[Papers, 1902 Dec. 20-1957. \[manuscript\].](#)

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