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Elphick, Gladys

(1904 - 1988)

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Died	19880119, Daw Park South Australia Australia
Occupation	Community worker, Welfare worker

Summary

A Kaurna woman, Gladys Elphick was born in Adelaide and brought up on the Point Pearce Reserve. Elphick's life long work against discrimination and exploitation of Aboriginal people included her formation of the Aboriginal Women's Council and, with others, a legal aid service, medical service and the Aboriginal Community Centre in Adelaide. Also well known as 'Aunty Glad', Elphick was appointed as a Member of the Order of the British Empire on 1 January 1971 for services to the Aboriginal community. In 1984, during National Aborigines Week, Elphick was named South Australian Aboriginal of the Year.

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