

The Australian Women's Register

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Bowe, Ethel Jessie

(1906 - 1961)

Born	27 May, 1906, Maldon Victoria Australia
Died	13 October, 1961, Repatriation General Hospital Heidelberg Victoria Australia
Occupation	Matron, Nurse, Servicewoman

Events

1960 - 1960
Gave the eighth annual oration for the New South Wales College of Nursing

2040 - 2042
Served in the Middle East

1931 - 1931
Joined the Australian Army Nursing Service Reserve

2041 - 2041
Appointed temporary matron

2041 - 2041
Appointed matron

2043 - 2043
Appointed deputy Matron-in-Chief

2045 - 2045
Awarded Associate Royal Red Cross

2045 - 2045
Appointed Principal Matron

2045 - 2045
Based on Morotai Island in the South West Pacific

1948 - 1948
Awarded the United States of America's Bronze Star for her services

1946 - 1946
Appointed matron of the 115 Military (Repatriation General) Hospital, Heidelberg

2047 - 2048
Appointed principal matron, Southern Command

1930 - 1930
Completed midwifery training at the Queen Victoria Hospital, Melbourne

1931 - 1935
Sister on staff at the Royal Melbourne Hospital

1936 - 1939

Sister tutor at the Perth Hospital, Western Australia

2039 - 2039

Appointed Sister in the Australian Army Nursing Service

2040 - 2040

Called up for service with the Australian Imperial Force

2040 - 2040

Posted senior sister of the 2/2 Australian General Hospital (AGH)

2040 - 2040

Served in England

1927 - 1929

Nursing training at the Royal Melbourne Hospital

1950 - 1950

Matron of the Austin Hospital, Heidelberg

2051 - 2051

Rejoined Australian Military Forces

2052 - 2052

Appointed matron-in-chief and granted the rank of honorary colonel

1953 - 1953

Awarded a Florence Nightingale medal

2055 - 2055

Awarded the Red Cross Medal

2060 - 2060

Appointed Officer to the Order of the British Empire

1957 - 1957

Appointed honorary nursing sister to Queen Elizabeth II

Published resources**Edited Book**

Who's Who in Australia 1950, Alexander, Joseph A, 1950

Book

From blue to khaki: The enlisted voluntary aids and others who became members of the Australian Army Medical Women's Service and served from 1942-1951, Mount-Batten, Betty J, 1995

Guns and brooches : Australian Army Nursing from the Boer War to the Gulf War, Bassett, Jan, 1992

Australian women at war, Adam-Smith, Patsy, 1984

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