

VALE

LEGATEE IAN ANDERSON

KEW/NORTH MELBOURNE BRANCH

DIED 21ST JANUARY, 1985

When Ian Anderson came to Legacy in 1957 on the nomination of Earle Orr and Ted Bazeley, he brought with him professional skills and abilities, worldly experience and wisdom and a great understanding of young people. He came with experience and ideals of community service.

Never have the words of Legacy's Charter, "The Spirit of Legacy is Service" been better exemplified than in the life and work of Ian Anderson.

His qualities and abilities were quickly recognised by those in authority and he was absorbed into Youth Activities and the Legal Committee. Within two years of joining he was an elected member to the Board of Management. Four years later he was a Vice President and the following year in 1964, he was elected President.

In subsequent years, he filled many postings where his skills and wisdom were widely used.

As President, he represented the Club in our Community and throughout Australia within the Legacy Movement with dignity and distinction.

Some of the highlights of this year were:

There were 7,000 children in Melbourne Legacy's care and the widows numbered 9,500. Both of these groups were still on the increase. Badge Day raised nearly £120,000.00.

At the Armidale Legacy Conference, the future of Legacy was discussed for the first time with no conclusions reached.

Melbourne saw the need to tell its story to inform the public in a changing society.

All of the work of caring for these children and advising the widows was vigorously carried on, lead by an enthusiastic President so ably supported by Gwenda.

This humble man in his report to the Club at the end of his year said, "It has been a privilege to serve as your President."

Before he became President, Ian and I became associated on Legacy Co-ordinating Council in 1962. He served on Council with the exception of his year as Melbourne's President until December 1984. Much of his service was given to Council at an age when most people are looking to slow down.

For most of this period he represented his state of birth - Western Australia - with great affection.

His wise counsel and advice was of untold benefit to the Legacy movement and the people with whom he served.

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From 1969-71 for two years he made a greater contribution as its Chairman at time when the number of children in Legacy's care had plateaued, the wide continued to increase and the organisation throughout Australia spent million of funds it raised from the public.

During this period, Legacy pressed the Federal Government for additional pension to be provided for Double Orphans.

The 1971 Toose Inquiry into the Repatriation Commission commenced and its terms of reference were widened after representations were made by Council.

It was at this time that Mark Lyons was commissioned to write the "History Legacy - its first 50 years."

This man dedicated to the ideals of service gave willingly of his time and abilities. In 1966 when our Legacy associates in Sydney asked a few of us help form Birthright, Ian joined the organisation and provided the guidance in Victoria for the establishment of a workable Constitution which would be acceptable nationwide.

The finances of Legacy were greatly helped by bequests which came from some of his clients. One in particular was the George Shepherd Estate.

This quite unassuming, sincere, friendly man of worldly knowledge and wise counsel, we will miss. We are the richer for our association with Ian and Gwenda. Thank God for our friendship with the quiet gentle man.

We are eternally grateful to Gwenda and David for allowing us to share some of this life of our dear friend.

"LEST WE FORGET"

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**ANDERSON Doris Gwendolyn.** ---  
On June 3rd 1989. Beloved wife  
of Ian Warden Anderson (dec).  
Loving mother of Rev. Neville An-  
derson. Sister of Lawrence (dec).  
Owen (dec). and John.

Memorial Service -  
The Paton Memorial Uniting Church  
Burke Road, Deepdene. 9817 4589.  
Tuesday, 13th June 1989 at 2.30pm.

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MRS DORIS GWENDOLYN ANDERSON

It is with sadness we report the death of Mrs Gwenda Anderson on 3rd June last. Gwenda was the widow of our highly esteemed Past President (1964) the late Legatee Ian Anderson, who was also Chairman of Co-ordinating Council between 1969-1971, when he and Gwenda travelled extensively throughout Australia, making many friends with members and wives of all other Legacy Clubs.

A Memorial Service will be held on Tuesday, 13th June next at the Paton Memorial Uniting Church, Burke Road, Deepdene, commencing at 2.30 p.m.

The members of Melbourne Legacy extend deepest sympathy to the Reverend Neville Anderson in his bereavement.