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REG. T. JONES  
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17 Meadow Lane,  
Mount Eliza, 3930.  
Australia

Dear Roy.

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Further to the copy of letter (attached copy) I was wondering if anything further has developed.

Geo Langley's grave is easy to find. I cleaned it up & with a black felt pen I went over the engraving & took some photos. One is enclosed for your information & also the written text to what is on the Tombstone. Attached.

Just thought that this would be interesting to you & maybe assist in what you are doing.

The grave next to Geo Langley is for Sarah Jane, Georges daughter & my grandmother. She died in 1939 & I knew her well in 78 Jan 95 24th

With kindest regards

Helen Born in 1817 aged 35 in 1852 married George Langley  
 In 1852 or 1853 sailed for West <sup>extended ship &</sup> ~~date not known~~ 11/3/95  
 George & Helen Langley <sup>only</sup> daughter Sarah Jane  
 was Born ~~arrived~~ in Ballarat on 27 Dec 1853 at Black Hill in a tent  
 Helen died of pneumonia 19 Sept 1866 <sup>age</sup> 49 <sup>years</sup> 7 Date <sup>COMBSTONE</sup> <sup>STATES</sup> 52 <sup>YEARS</sup>  
 ↓ <sup>1817</sup> <sup>49 years</sup> <sup>7 Date</sup> <sup>COMBSTONE</sup> <sup>STATES</sup> 52 <sup>YEARS</sup>  
 See "Outline of Descendants" appointed Dec 1858 age 36 9/5  
 from Reg Jones re George " <sup>service</sup> = 41 -  
 Langley & mate hiding in ground died 14 Oct 1899 age 77 -  
 under a mattress with Helen on top playing  
 when soldiers burst in to drag out any miners



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Mr Reg Jones  
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Dear Mr Jones

Re: **MEMORIAL GARDEN TO GEORGE LONGLEY.**

Thank you for your comments with regard to a remembrance to George Longley within the Ballarat Botanical Gardens.

I was some what surprised on assuming my employment with the City of Ballarat in 1989 that there was little recorded history on the Gardens and the contributions of its first three principal curators, Longley, Toop, and Beaumont.

There is clearly a task ahead for Roy Mosman and 'The Friends of the Ballarat Botanical Gardens' to chronicle this history. Roy has expressed an enthusiasm to focus on a history of the Gardens through the personalities of these curators. He is considering a display within a new Community Resource Centre to be constructed shortly.

Clearly in modern times, myself and my peers will by comparison, be considered as mere humble participants as I doubt, with organisational and professional roles being as they are that it will be extremely difficult to maintain continuous employment with any local Government authority for 54 years or so!

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Mr Reg Jones

6 April 1994

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The Ballarat Botanical Gardens are about to undergo a Master Planning Study. It is through such efforts that continuity of approach will be established in the future, as opposed to the reliance on long term oversight by a manager. The Master Planning process will also reflect broader community and special interest views and therefore be representative of community aspirations as opposed to individual officers.

Of course this is not a new idea. For the entire period of Longley's employment he had the oversight of a Special Committee of Council on which local nurserymen, Councillors and horticulturalists were represented. Interestingly enough this mechanism was not in place during Toop and Beaumont's management periods.

On your behalf, I will raise the issue of tributes to curators past, particularly Longley as our first. As for myself or Jim Reynolds, well circumstances have changed. The Gardens are now managed using a 'team' approach of management staff within my department. In the longer term it is the achievements of the entire department in implementing the communities aspirations that may deserve recognition.

Yours faithfully,



**PHILIP CLINGIN**  
DIRECTOR GARDENS AND PARKS

cc Jim Reynolds

# GEORGE LONGLEY

AT NOV 81

INSCRIBED ON TOMBSTONE GRAVE  
 BALLARAT CEMETRY (OLD)  
 METHODIST SECTION

B.N. SECTION 16 GRAVE 12  
 THE MEMORY OF HELEN, WIFE OF  
 GEORGE LONGLEY LATE OF  
 MARYPORT CUMBERLAND 249  
 WHO DIED SEPT 19 1866 AGE 52

SARAH JONES (I.E. HELEN) BORN 1861  
 MOTHER IS GREAT GRAND MOTHER of KEN REG. JONES

MARY AGNES, OF THE DESCENDANTS & WIFE TITTLE  
 DAUGHTER of GEORGE & ELIZABETH  
 LONGLEY DIED 3 FEB 1874  
 AGE 3 YEARS + 8 MTHS  
 ALSO

ALBERT TAYLOR, NEPHEW of the ABOVE  
 GEORGE LONGLEY, DIED 30 JAN 1888  
 CANNOT TRACE ANY OTHER RECORD of THIS "GEORGE"  
 AGE 27?  
 BORN 1861

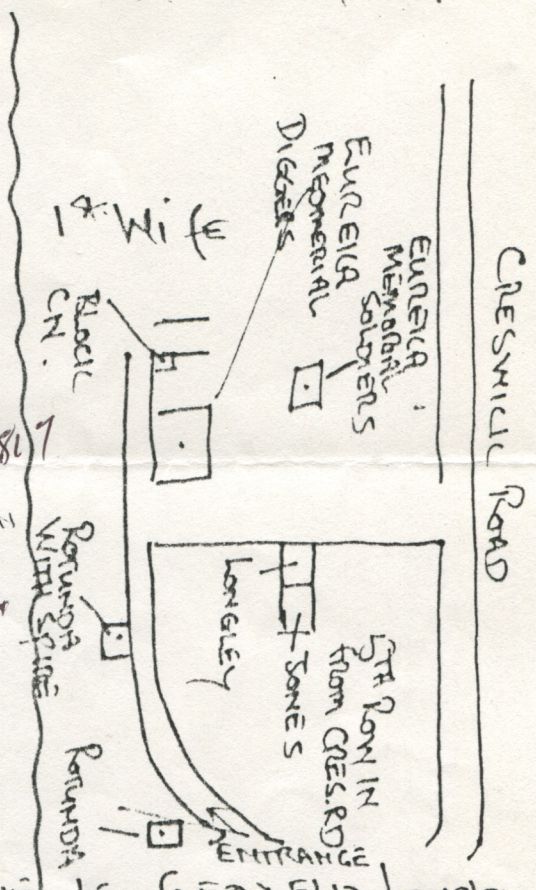
**GEORGE LONGLEY** (FATHER of SARAH JONES)  
 BORN LONTHOR (DATE ?) 1822  
 WESTMORELAND ENGLAND

DIED 14 OCT 1899 AGE 77  
 AT LONTHOR FIND GEORGE LONGLEY BIRTH CERT.  
 WHICH WILL SHOW NAME of FATHER & MOTHER.

HIS <sup>SECOND</sup> WIFE ELIZABETH LONGLEY  
 BORN AT RUTHIN WALES (DATE ?)  
 DIED 24 OCT 1911 AGE 80 APPROX  
 WIFE of CHWYD BORN 1831

William ROBERT LONGLEY  
 DIED 18 FEB 1914 AGE 40  
 1914 BORN 1874

LIZZIE DIED 14 JUNE 1949



I.E. GEO & ELIZ LONGLEY  
 HE MAYBE SON of  
 GEO & ELIZ LONGLEY  
 ? COULD NOT BE ELIZ  
 HELEN DIED 1866  
 & ELIZ WILLIAMS ONLY HAD ONE DAUGHTER WITEN MARRIED  
 HE BEING FOUNDER of BALLARAT GARDENS. GEO LONGLEY

WOULD BE GEORGE LONGLEY'S 2<sup>ND</sup> WIFE

IE MAYBE SON GEO & ELIZ LONGLEY

MAYBE DAUGHTER GEO & ELIZ LONGLEY

AT NOV 81.

INCRIBED ON TOMBSTONE JONES, NEXT TO LONGLEY GRAVE  
BALLARAT CEMETERY OLD METHODIST SECTION

WILLIAM HENRY JONES  
DIED 17 MAY 1919 AGE 69  
HIS WIFE

SARAH JANE  
DIED 19 MAY 1939 AGE 95

DAUGHTERS

LOUISE DIED 28 AUG 1889  
AGE 3 YRS

ETHEL DIED 12 JAN 1909  
AGE 27.

FATHER - MOTHER  
WILLIAM HECTOR JONES  
IE FATHER OF  
KEN REG JOHN JONES  
FATHER - MOTHER  
~~GEORGE~~ MITCHELL  
NELLIE  
IE MOTHER OF GEORGE MITCHELL