

# William Benton SCOTT

30/04/2026

## William Benton SCOTT

AKA William SCOTT

\* Nickname: ?

Late of ?

Relations in 'the job' ?

"possible" relation in 'the job': ?

~~NSW Police Training Centre — Redfern / Goulburn Police  
Academy / Police Training College — Penrith / Belmore  
Barracks — Class # — ? ? ?~~

New South Wales Police Force

~~Regd. # — ????? ( N/A )~~

**Rank:** ~~Commenced Training at ? Police Academy as a  
Police Cadet on Monday ? ? ? ( aged ? years, ?  
months, ? days ) ( N/A )~~

Probationary Constable – appointed 24 November 1875 ( aged  
? years, ? months, ? days )

Constable – appointed 1 February 1876

Constable 1st Class – appointed 1 March 1877

Detective – appointed ? ? ?

Senior Constable – appointed 1 April 1879

Leading Senior Constable – appointed ? ? ? ( N/A )

Sergeant 3rd Class – appointed ? ? ? ( N/A )

Sergeant 2nd Class – appointed 1 May 1882

Sergeant 1st Class – appointed 1 November 1886

Sub Inspector – appointed 1 September 1890

**Final Rank:** = Sub Inspector

**Stations:** Central ( 1 Division ) ( 20 years ), Phillip St ( 4  
Division ) ( O.I.C. ) – Death

**Service ( From Training Date ) period:** From 24 November 1875  
to 21 July 1899 = 23 years, ? months, ? days  
Service

**Time employed ( Paid ) with NSW Police:** From: 24 November  
1875 to 21 July 1899 = 23 years, ? months, ? days

## Service

Time in Retirement from Police: 0 years, 0 months, 0 days

Age at Retirement / Leaving: = ? years, ? months, ? days

Awards: No Find on Australian Honours system



**Sub-Inspector William Scott,**  
**OF THE METROPOLITAN POLICE,**  
Whose death was reported in yesterday's "Evening  
News."

William Benton SCOTT

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**Born:** 8 May 1848 in Melrose, Scottish Borders, Scotland

**Died on:** 21 July 1899 in Sydney, NSW

**Age:** 51 years, ? months, ? days

Organ Donor: Y / N / ?

Cause: Lung infection or Consumption ( Tuberculosis )

Event location: Home – cnr Kent & Argyle St, Sydney, NSW

Event / Diagnosis date: ?

Funeral date: ? July 1899

Funeral location: ?

Wake location: ?

Wake date: ???

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: Waverley Cemetery, NSW

Grave Location: Section: Roman Catholic                      Row:  
?                      Plot: 2198

Grave GPS: ?, ?

Plot W-2-CE-SL-1038

Memorial / Plaque / Monument located at: ?

Dedication date of Memorial / Plaque / Monument: Nil – at this  
time ( April 2026 )

WILLIAM is **NOT** mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance \*  
BUT SHOULD BE

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***FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE,  
THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.***

**If you have anything further to add to what is recorded here,  
please get in touch.**

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**May they forever Rest In Peace**

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**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NSWFallenPolice/>**

**Australian Police YouTube Channel**

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## **LIFE OF SUB-INSPECTOR WILLIAM BENTON SCOTT (8 May 1848 to 21 July 1899) No. 2644**

William Scott was born on the 8 May 1848 in Melrose, Paisley, Scotland.

In 1860 he was living in the USA with his family. He fought in the American Civil War and was at the battle of Gettysburg. He came to Australia about 1874.

He joined the NSW Police Force as a Probationary Constable on the 20 November 1875.

He was confirmed as a Constable on the 1 February 1876.

He was promoted to Constable 1stClass on the 1 March 1877,

Senior Constable on the 1 April 1879,

Sergeant 2ndClass on the 1 May 1882,

Sergeant 1st Class on the 1 November 1886 and

Sub-Inspector on the 1 September 1890.

He married Catherine Ada Millott in 1878.

They had seven children between 1878 and 1897.

He was at No. 1 Division for 20 years. He was in charge of the No. 4 Division when he died.

Sub-Inspector Scott died on the 21 July 1899 of a lung infection or consumption.

He was buried Waverley Cemetery, Plot W-2-CE-SL-1038.

The funeral was large and attended by members of the police force and friends of Sub-Inspector Scott.

Special leave was granted to as many of his comrades that were able to attend. The procession left his residence at the corner of Kent and Argyle Streets.

It was head by Traffic Inspector May followed by the Police Band. Next came the uniform Police, Water Police and 200 members of the Coal Lumper's Union (with whom he was friendly). Inspector General Fosbery, Superintendent G. Read, Superintendent Camphin, Inspectors Bremner, Cotter, Hyem and Lenthall; Sub-Inspectors Bell, Boyd, Collins, Elliott, Garland, Hughes and Hinds were among the mourners.

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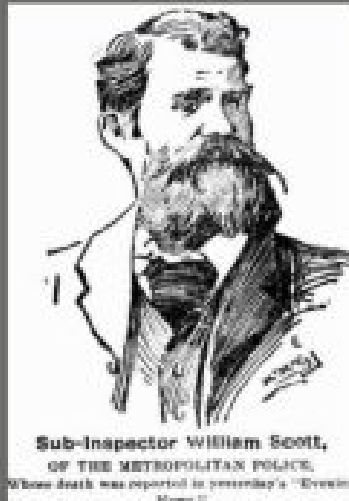


Photo added by [Geoff L Cook](#)

## William Benton Scott

**BIRTH** 8 May 1848  
Melrose, Scottish Borders, Scotland

**DEATH** 21 Jul 1899 (aged 51)  
Sydney, City of Sydney, New South  
Wales, Australia

**BURIAL** [Waverley Cemetery](#)  
Bronte, Waverley Council, New South  
Wales, Australia  
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**PLOT** W-17-RC-SL-2198

**MEMORIAL ID** 218633994 - [View Source](#)

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\* Story behind any Nickname:

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Nothing further, than what is recorded above, is known about this person at the time of publication and further information and photos would be appreciated.

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