

William Benton SCOTT

30/04/2026

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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

AKA William SCOTT

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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Canberra

***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,
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/AustralianPolice.com.au/>

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

Australian Police YouTube Channel

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.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/NSWFallenPolice/posts/27053734>

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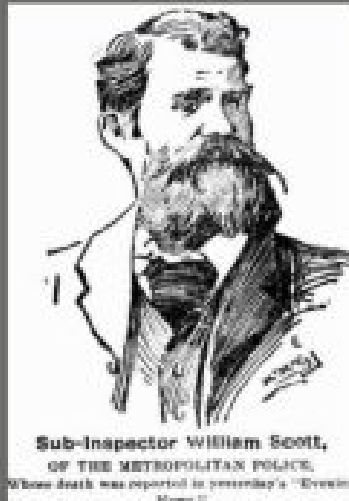


Photo added by [Geoff L Cook](#)

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:

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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30 April 2026

James FORSYTHE

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Late of ?

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ?????

Rank: Constable

Stations: ?, Newcastle, Cobar – Resigned

**Service: From ? ? ? to ? ? ? = ?
years Service**

Awards: ?

Born: ? ? around 1891? in Scotland

Died on: Thursday 17 May 1917

Age: 26

Cause: Tuberculosis

Event location: Waterfall Sanatorium (Garrawarra Hospital), Old Illawarra Hwy, Waterfall

Event date: Thursday 17 May 1917

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Buried at: Waterfall General (Garrawarra TB Hospital) Cemetery, Old Illawarra Hwy, Waterfall

about 1 km south of Garrawarra Hospital and on the Eastern side of the road – about 10 mts off the road.

This Cemetery is TOTALLY derelict.

**Grave location: 34°10'29.05"S
150°58'17.97"E**

Memorial located at: ?

[alert_yellow]**JAMES** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

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Further information is required on this man, his working life and death.

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19 May 2017

Leader (Orange, NSW : 1912 – 1922), **Wednesday 23 May 1917**,
page 1

Constable James Forsythe, for the last twelve months attached to the Cobar police station, died at the Waterfall sanatorium last week. The late Constable Forsythe took ill in January, and was for a time an in-mate of the district hospital suffering from lung trouble, but on the advice of Dr. Connolly he went to Waterfall for special treatment, dying there as stated. He had been in the N.S.W. police force for three years, and was 26 years of age. We understand he was a native of Harwich, Scotland, where his mother and relatives reside.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/117826843>

Newcastle Morning Herald & Miner's Advocate **Monday 21 May**
1917 p4

Word has been received in Newcastle to the death of **ex-Constable James Forsyth**, who for some months had been an inmate of the Waterfall Sanatorium for Consumptives. Mr. Forsyth, who was a native of Roseland, had been in the force about three years, and was for some time stationed in Newcastle, where he was held in much esteem by the officers and rank and file of the force. he contracted a chill, and consumption, developed, and about twelve months ago he was transferred to Cobar in the hope that the drier atmosphere would assist him. That was not the case, however, and he found it necessary to resign and enter the sanatorium where

his death occurred on Thursday.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/134861131>

Western Age (Dubbo) Friday 18 May 1917 p2

Constable James FORSYTHE

Constable James Forsythe, for the last twelve months attached to the Cobar police station, died at the Waterfall sanatorium on the 9th inst.

The late **Constable Forsythe** took ill early in January and was for a time an inmate of the district hospital suffering with lung trouble, but on the advise of Dr. Connolly he went to Waterfall for special treatment, dying there as stated. He had been in the N.S.W. police force for three years, and was 26 years of age. We understand he was a native of Harwick, Scotland, where his mother and relatives reside.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/136908011>

There are 5 James Forsythe's recorded on NSWBDM database has having been **born** between 1869 – 1898

There are NO James FORSYTHE recorded on NSWBDM database as having **died** in NSW in 1917.

There is a John H. Forsythe 12815/1919 (from Paddington) & John Forsythe 4357/1916 (from Ulmarra) but nothing for 1917.

November 3 2012

Forgotten graves of TB victims uncovered

• Julie Power

THE 2000 tuberculosis victims buried in Waterfall Cemetery south of Sydney were "forgotten in life and forgotten in death", said Wollongong's lord mayor, Gordon Bradbery.

In life, these consumptives were cared for in NSW's only purpose-built facility for TB victims, the Garrawarra Hospital for Consumptives.

A beautiful building with open-air wards on wide verandahs looking out to sea, the hospital opened in 1909 when the bacterial disease was the leading killer of Australian women, and very near that for men.

When patients were in the active phase of TB, they were isolated in fibro chalets, about the size of a garden shed. They either recovered or ended up in the cemetery a bit less than a kilometre away.

Today the cemetery looks like it has endured the battle of the eucalypts. Dead branches and foliage downed by wind and fire

hide dangerous holes caused by subsidence under graves.

The cemetery "dropped off the radar" after the last TB victim was buried in 1949, said Councillor Bradbery. For more than 60 years, the cemetery was neglected and apart from one highly polished grave site tended by Veterans Affairs, most of the remaining wooden and stone headstones have disappeared into the bush.

The council is now developing a conservation management plan for the cemetery, which Cr Bradbery said "highlights the medical history of the 20th century, especially from 1909 when tuberculosis was for many a fatal illness".

Explaining its neglect, he said, "We thought Garrawarra people [NSW Department of Health] were responsible. And vice versa. As a result it was forgotten," he said.

A Health Department spokeswoman, Cath Whitehurst, confirmed the cemetery is still on health department land, but the trusteeship and management were transferred to Wollongong in 1967.

It's unclear what will happen to it. To restore the graves to their former glory would be expensive. There's also the issue of access. Getting into the site requires permission from the NSW Ministry of Health to enter the Garrawarra Centre for the Aged, where 120 patients with Alzheimer's live.

After visiting the cemetery for the first time, the mayor, a former chaplain with the Uniting Church, was reflective. "People might think it is a sad thing that it [the cemetery] has been forgotten. But at the same time there is something quite powerful about the march of time and how nature will claim back those areas that have been cleared by human beings.

"They talk about resting in peace. Well, I tell you what, from my perspective they certainly are. It's very peaceful."

Ms Whitehurst said the Garrawarra Hospital buildings were boarded up for safety reasons, and there were no plans to restore or demolish the buildings. Visitors are discouraged from the hospital and cemetery.

<http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/forgotten-graves-of-tb-victims-uncovered-20121102-28phf.html>
