

William Thomas GREEN

26/10/2012

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AKA TRIGGER (Gosford)

Late of ?

NSW Redfern / Penrith Police Academy
Class # ? ? ?

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ???? (790* – 797*)

Rank: Probationary Constable – appointed
? ? ?

Final Rank = Constable

Stations: ?, Gosford – Death

Service: From 1 February 1955 to 2
October 1960 = 5+ years Service

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: ? ? 1931

Died on: Sunday 2 October 1960 during

the morning

Age: 29

Cause: MVA – Rider – Urgent Duty –

Event location: Victoria St & Adelaide
St, Gosford

Event date: Saturday 1 October 1960
about 6pm – Gosford Hospital

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Wake location: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: Point Clare General Cemetery,
Coolam Ave, Pt Clare

Anglican 9, Row 20, Plot 18

Lat -33.433889

Long 151.311667

Memorial located at: ?

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
WILLIAM THOMAS
GREEN

DIED 2ND OCT 1960 AGED 29 YEARS

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Inscription In Loving Memory of WILLIAM
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THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.**

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May they forever Rest In Peace

About 6pm on 1 October, 1960 Constable Green left the Gosford Police Station to assist at the scene of a serious motor vehicle accident at Terrigal. At the time he was riding a Special Traffic Patrol motor cycle. As he was travelling along Victoria Street a panel van travelling in the opposite direction began to turn into Adelaide Street in front of the police cycle. The cycle collided with the front of the panel van, throwing the constable to the roadway. He was conveyed to the Gosford District Hospital where he died the following morning.

The constable was born in 1931 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 1 February, 1955. At the time of his death he was stationed at Gosford.

James Thomas CLIFTON

26/10/2012

James Thomas CLIFTON

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ?

Rank: Constable

Stations: ?, Balmain – death

Service 1: From 5 June 1950 to August 1954 = 4+ years
Service

Service 2: From 26 August 1957 to 31 July 1959 = 1+ years
Service

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: ? ? 1928

Died on: 31 July 1959

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Police cycle – Rider

Event location: Victoria Rd near Gagin St, Parramatta

Age: 30

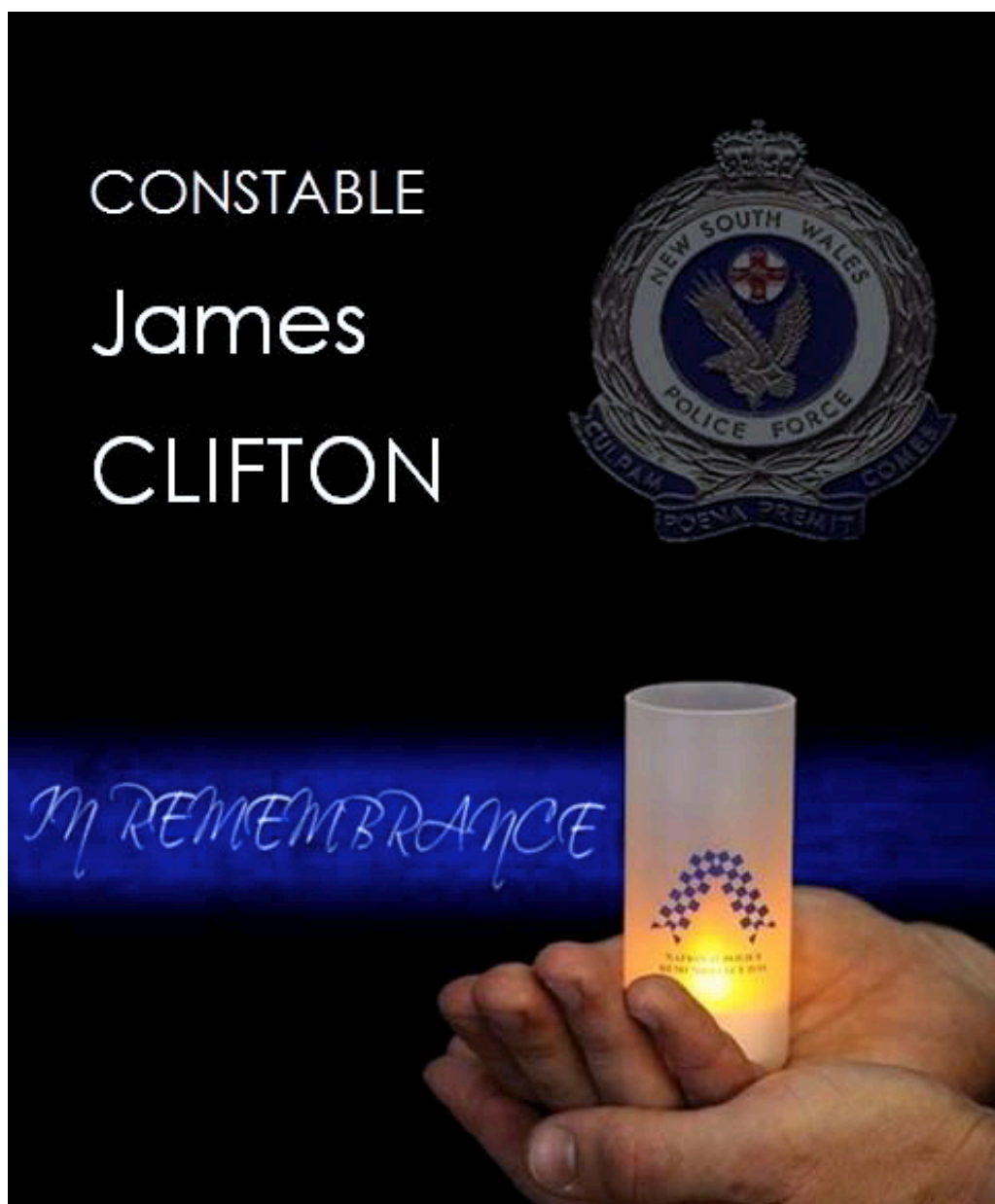
Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Buried at: ?

Memorial location: ?





JAMES IS mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance

On 31 July, 1959 Constable Clifton rode his police motor cycle outfit from his home to the Parramatta Police Station where he had a meeting with local detectives. Following the meeting he set out to ride to the Balmain Police Station to commence his rostered shift at 7pm. As he was travelling along Victoria Road, Parramatta a pedestrian ran out onto the roadway near the intersection of Gagin Street. Although he took evasive action and braked the sidecar on Constable Clifton's cycle hit the pedestrian. The cycle then veered across the road, throwing the constable head first beneath a car travelling toward him. He was killed instantly.

The constable was born in 1928 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 5 June, 1950. He resigned in August, 1954 and rejoined on 26 August, 1957. At the time of his death he was stationed at Balmain.

William John LORD

26/10/2012

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aka Bill

(late of Miranda)

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 7671

Joined the NSW Police Force via NSW Police Cadet system on 2
June 1952

Cadet # 1011

Rank: Constable

Stations: **?**, No. 4 Division from 15 December 1953, Traffic
Branch – Sydney

Service: From 2 June 1952 to 23 December 1958 = 6+ years
Service

Awards: **?**

Born: **? ? 1934**

Died on: 23 December 1958

Cause: Injuries received from a Motor Vehicle Pursuit
collision

Event location: Cnr Alison Rd & Wansey Rd, Randwick

Age: 23

Funeral date: ?

Funeral location: ?

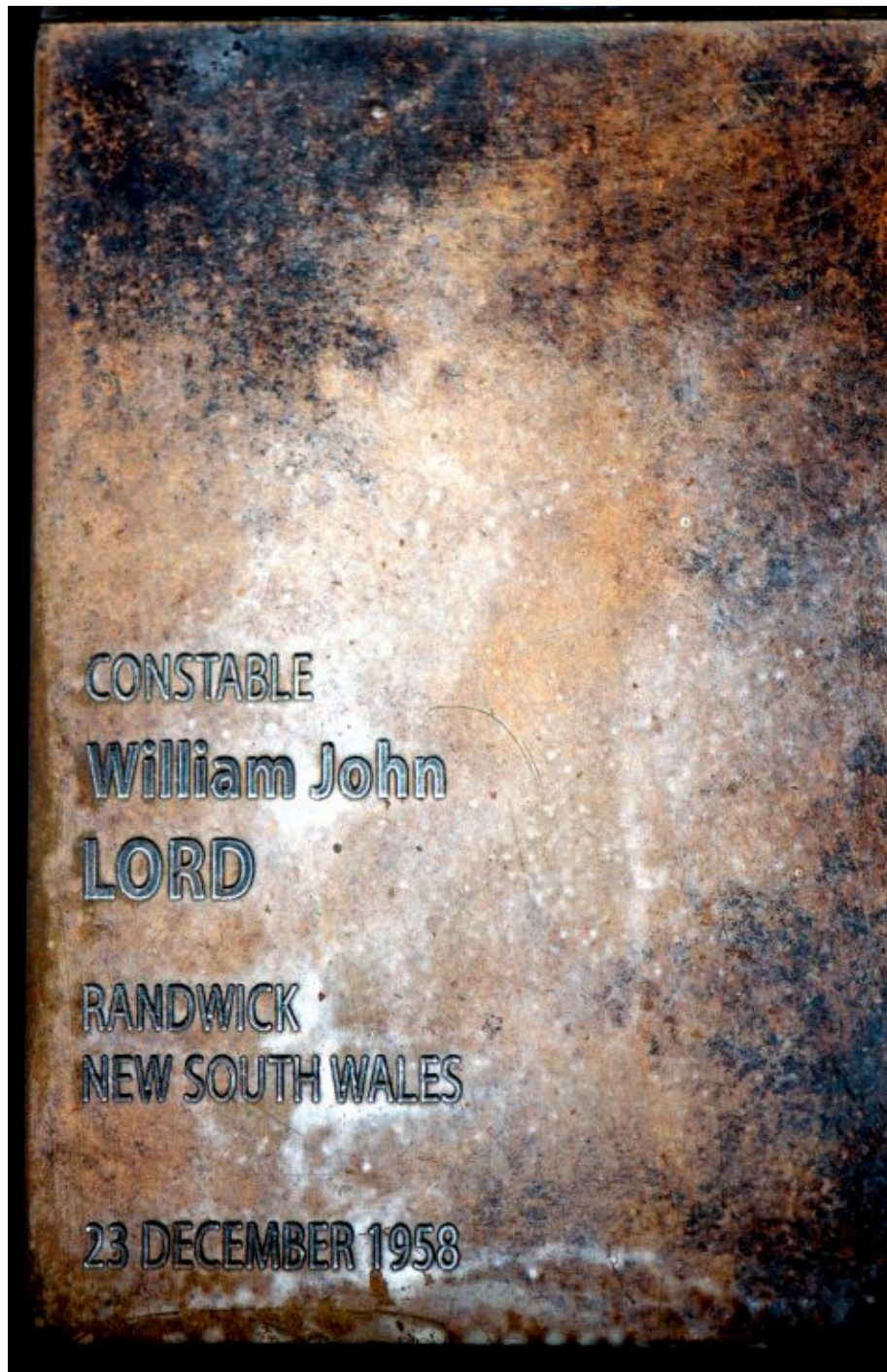
Grave location: Woronora Cemetery, Sutherland

Roman Catholic Section, 3B

Event Location: [codepeople-post-map]



Constable Bill LORD



William LORD – Touch Plate at National
Police Wall of Remembrance

About 5pm on 23 December, 1958 Constable Lord was riding a Police Public Safety Bureau motor cycle in Alison Road, Randwick, when he became involved in the pursuit of a speeding motor cycle. At the intersection of Wansey Road another vehicle began to turn in front of the oncoming police cycle. Seeing the police cycle approaching the driver of the vehicle

took evasive action, however a collision occurred and Constable Lord was thrown from his cycle and onto another car. Although admitted to St Vincent's Hospital he died a short time later.

The constable was born in 1934 and joined the New South Wales Police Force as a cadet on 2 June, 1952. He was sworn in on 5 December, 1953. At the time of his death he was attached to the Traffic Branch, Sydney.

NSW BDM

Death: 589/2959 Father: Keith Silvester Mother:
Dorothy May

Woronora Cemetery Police Remembrance Wall – 7 April 2015.pdf

Deadly toll

By Jonathan Pearlman

November 6, 2004

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Brian James BOADEN

26/10/2012

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Motor Vehicle Accident

Ulladulla

14 November, 1958

About 3pm on 14 November, 1958 Constable Boaden was riding a police solo motor cycle along the Princes Highway at Ulladulla. While he was pursuing a speeding vehicle, another car commenced to turn into the driveway of a dwelling. The constable increased his speed in an attempt to pass in front of the turning vehicle, however the cycle struck the front of the vehicle. Constable Boaden was thrown over the vehicle, his helmet came off and he landed head-first on the roadway. Although he was conveyed to the Milton District Hospital, he died about three hours later.

The constable was born in 1936 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 1 April, 1957. At the time of his death he was stationed at Moruya.

Brian is buried in the Orange Cemetery, Lone Pine Ave, Orange, NSW.

Grave location: Old Section, Grave 68.

" In Loving Memory of our dear son and brother Constable Brian James BOADEN, died 14 Nov 1958 aged 22 years, Who died doing his duty sometime we will understand. "

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John GRAHAM

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AKA ?

Late of ?

NSW Penrith Police College Class # "Possibly" 003

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 4???

Rank: Commenced Training "possibly" on Monday 12 May 1947?

Probationary Constable- appointed 14 June 1947

Constable – appointed ? ? ?

Constable 1st Class – appointed ? ? ?

Senior Constable – appointed ? ? ?

Final Rank = Constable

Stations: ?, Bodalla – Retirement

Service: From 12 May 1947? to ? ? ? = 11 years Service

Awards: No Find on Australian Honours

Born: ? ? 1915

Died on: Thursday 24 April 1958

Age: 42 – 43

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Rider – On Duty

Event location: Bermagui-Cobargo Road, Bodalla, NSW

Event date: 29 July 1948

Funeral date: ? ? ?

Funeral location: ?

Future Wake location: ?

Wake date: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: Tamworth General Cemetery, Westdale Rd, Taminda,
NSW

Grave: Lawn, i1

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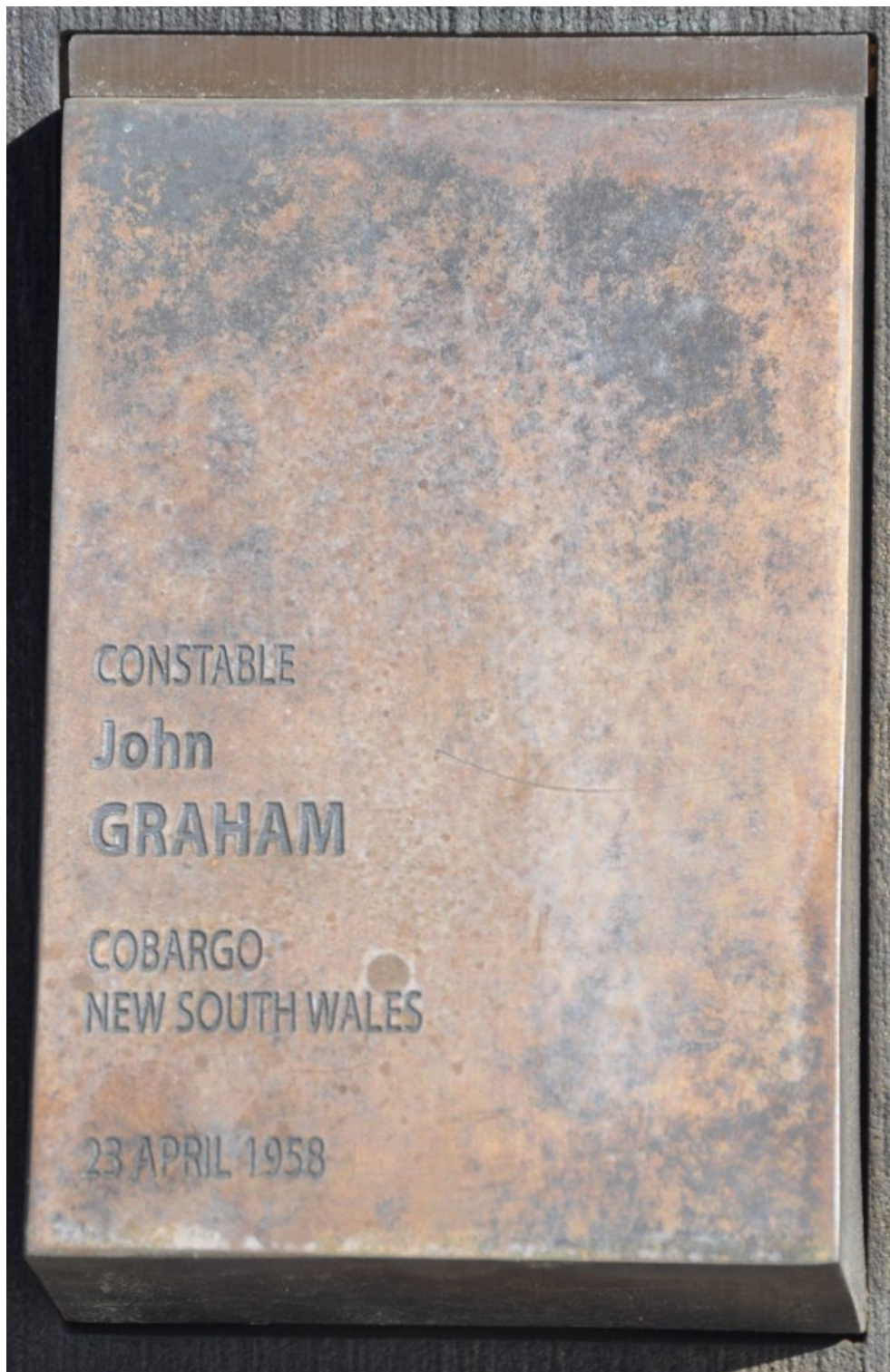
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Grave Site: [codepeople-post-map]

Memorial / Plaque / Monument located at: National Police
Memorial, Touch stone 3A

Dedication date of Memorial / Plaque / Monument: Nil – at this

time (April 2020)



National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra.

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

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

On **29 July, 1948** Constable Graham was riding a police motor cycle outfit along the Bermagui-Cobargo Road.

At the time the constable was riding along an unfamiliar area in an effort to locate and apprehend a rape suspect.

As he was negotiating a sharp bend in the roadway, the cycle skidded in loose gravel, left the roadway and mounted an embankment. It then tipped over, pinning the constable beneath it.

Constable Graham was admitted to the Bega District Hospital suffering from internal injuries, including a ruptured kidney and concussion.

Over the ensuing years his health deteriorated due to the original injuries and he died on Thursday **25 April, 1958**.

The constable was born in Tamworth in 1915 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on Saturday 14 June, 1947.

At the time of his death he was stationed at **Bodalla**.

Beyond Courage





Source:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/514697128544865/permalink/810358058978769/>

Constable Jack HARMAN

26/10/2012

Constable Jack HARMAN

Motor Vehicle Accident

Parramatta

28 August, 1957

Constable Harman sustained fatal injuries when the Police Special Traffic Patrol Cycle he was riding was involved in a collision with a motor car. At the time the constable was riding the motorcycle from home to work at the Parramatta Police Station.

The constable was born in 1931 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 19 April, 1953. At the time of his death he was stationed at Parramatta.



Trevor William DODDS

26/10/2012

Trevor William DODDS

New South Wales Police Force

Joined NSW Police via the NSW Police

Cadet System on 15 November 1943

Cadet # 423

Regd. # ?

**Rank: Joined NSW Police Cadets – 15
November 1943**

**Probationary Constable – appointed 12
November 1946**

Constable 1st Class – death

Stations: Yass, Goulburn S.T.P.

**Service: From 15 November 1943 to 16 May
1957 = 13+ years Service**

Awards: ? No find on It's an honour

Born: ? ? 1925

Died on: Thursday 16 May 1957

**Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – motor
cycle**

**Location: Hume Hwy, Paddy's River, Nth
Marulan**

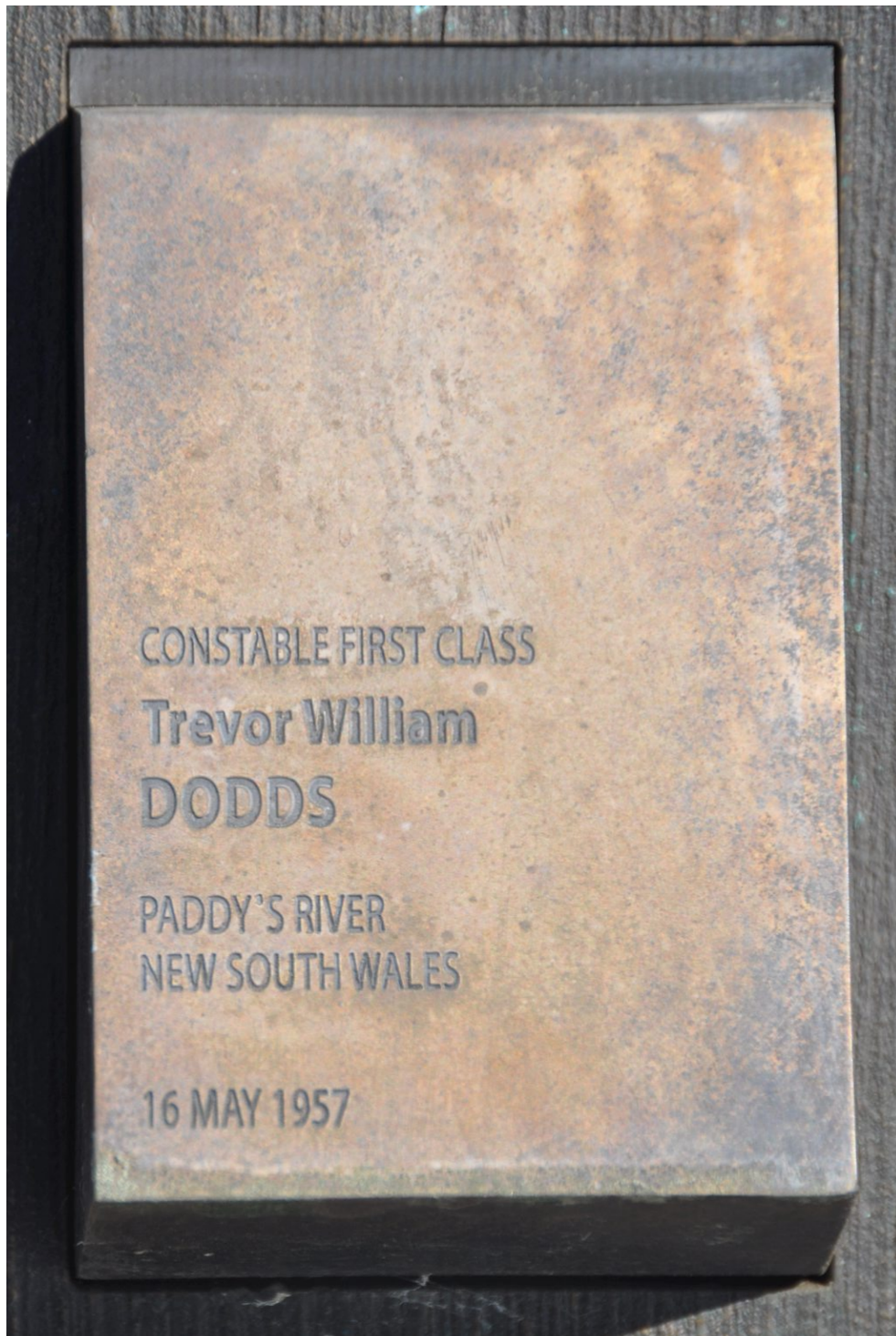
Age: 31

Funeral date: Friday 17 May 1957

Funeral location: St Saviour's
Cathedral, Goulburn

Buried at: Cremated at Nth Sydney
Crematorium on Saturday 18 May 1957.
Ashes scattered at Northern Suburbs
Memorial Gardens.

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Remembrance[/alert_green]



TOUCH PLATE FOR CONSTABLE 1st CLASS TREVOR
WILLIAM DODDS, CANBERRA WALL OF REMEMBRANCE

On **16 May, 1957** Constable Dodds was riding a Police Special Traffic Patrol solo motor cycle from Goulburn to Bowral Court. On the Hume Highway at Paddy's River, just north of Marulan, the cycle hit a patch of oil and water, skidded and left the roadway, colliding with trees. As a result the constable sustained fatal injuries.

The constable was born in **1925**, joined the New South Wales Police Force as a **cadet** on 15 November, 1943 and was **sworn in** on 12 November, 1946. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Goulburn**.



L-R: Kevin McMahon, Trevor Dodds, standing ?, Kevin Stewart, Ron Gardener, standing ?.
Goulburn Evening Post. possibly near Goulburn Gasworks

CONSTABLE IN FATAL CRASH

A young Goulburn traffic constable was killed instantly yesterday morning when he was thrown from his motor cycle on the Hume Highway near Paddy's River. He was Trevor William Dodds, 31, a first class constable with the Traffic Department. He leaves a widow and four-month-old son. Police believe Dodds' cycle skidded on a patch of oil and water on the road. The cycle struck a guidepost, throwing the rider, who died from severe head injuries. He was on his way to court at Bowral when the accident occurred.

Goulburn police said Constable Dodds was one of the best-known police men in the Southern Districts. He had been at Goulburn since 1949, and earlier had served for some years at Yass. He had been in the force since 1943.

the Canberra Times

Saturday 18 May 1957

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Crowds Witness Policeman's Funeral March

Crowds of Goulburn people lined **Auburn Street** yesterday to watch the funeral procession for a young Goulburn police motor cyclist, who was killed on **Thursday**.

First Class Constable Trevor William Dodds, 31, will be cremated at the North Sydney Crematorium to-day.

He was killed when his motor cycle skidded and crashed on the Hume Highway on **Thursday**.

Conducting the funeral service in **St. Saviour's Cathedral**, the **Very Rev. D. King** said that Constable Dodds had given his life in service to the community.

Among police represented was **Inspector J. Courtney**, who accompanied a party of eight **Canberra** policemen. **Sgt, H. Luton** represented the **A.C.T. Police Association**.

The chief of the Police Safety Bureau, **Inspector J. Agnew**, was present at the funeral.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/91588861>

Goulburn Evening Post **Monday 6 March 1950** page 5 of 8

Insulting Words Bring Fine Kezzel Webb was fined £4 in the Goulburn Court of Petty Sessions this morning for using insulting words to Constable Trevor William Dodds, of Goulburn Police.

Mr. A. J. Paton, S. M., was told that in answer to a complaint, Constable Dodds had visited a hotel and found Webb, who was under the influence, trying to buy liquor.

Constable Dodds told him that he would not be able to buy any more liquor. On the footpath outside the the hotel, Webb had used insulting words. A slip of paper with the words allegedly used written on it was handed to Mr. Paton. Webb pleaded guilty. He was allowed seven days to pay.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/104335749>

Cecil Edwin SEWELL

26/10/2012

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Late of Wycombe Rd, Yagoona, NSW

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # **????**

Rank: Constable

Stations: **?**, Parramatta – Public Safety Bureau – Death

Service: **From** 3 August 1948 **to** 2 June 1954 = 5+ years
Service

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: **? ?** 1927 at Werris Creek, NSW

Died on: Wednesday 2 June 1954

Death location: Parramatta District Hospital

Age: 27

Cause: Motor Vehicle Collision – Rider – Pursuit

Event location: Woodville Rd, near Farnell St, Merrylands

Event date: Tuesday 1 June 1954

Funeral date: Thursday 3 June 1954

Funeral location: **Baptist Church, Harrow Road, Auburn**

Buried at: Rookwood Cemetery, Rookwood

Area: Zone F, Sect: Independent General K, Grave 2643

Memorial located at: ?





at the base of Cecils grave



Here are some amazing photos for you,
I have attached some photos of dad in uniform also a few of
funeral procession that I found. Dad was also one of the
officers who escorted the Queen on her Coronation Tour in
Sydney May 1954. I think that might be the photo of him on his
bike. After Sydney tour he was to escort the Queen & Duke to
Canberra but his bike broke down at Liverpool. A couple of
weeks later he lost his life.
Thanks again.

Ron



Cecil SEWELL







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About 4.45pm the constable became involved in the pursuit of a motor vehicle. As the pursuit neared the intersection of Farnell Street, an elderly man alighted from a bus, ran out

onto the roadway and was struck by Constable Sewell's motor cycle.

Both men sustained severe injuries and were conveyed to the Parramatta District Hospital.

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<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/18427216>

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Cumberland Argus (Parramatta, NSW : 1950 – 1962),

Wednesday 1 September 1954, page 1

SEWELL FUND IS CLOSED

The fund for the dependants of the late **Constable Cecil Sewell**, is now closed.

Previously acknowledged, -£386/0/6, – **Parramatta Police functions etc.**, £519/14/7 ; total, £905/15/1.

A donation of £5/5/- In the list published last week, should have been credited to **Parramatta Musical Comedy Company**.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/132143069>

Sydney Morning Herald (NSW : 1842 – 1954),

Friday 4 June 1954, page 4

Funeral Of Policeman

More than 200 plain-clothes and uniformed police attended the **funeral yesterday of Constable Cecil Sewell**, 27, of the **Public Safety Bureau**.

Constable Sewell was fatally injured on **Tuesday** when his **police motor cycle** crashed after hitting and killing a pedestrian in Woodville Road, Merrylands.

Constable Sewell was chasing a speeding motor cyclist when he hit the pedestrian – **John Thomas Nivens**, 60, of Paton Street, Merrylands.

The **Police Pipe Band** led the funeral procession to **Rookwood Cemetery** after a **service** at the **Baptist Church, Harrow Road, Auburn**.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/27517645>

Constable Cecil Edwin SEWELL

Parramatta Police

Motor Vehicle Pursuit

2 June, 1954

Resting Place – Rookwood Cemetery, Rookwood

On 1 June, 1954 Constable Sewell was riding a police solo motor cycle in Woodville Road, Merrylands. About 4.45pm the constable became involved in the pursuit of a motor vehicle. As the pursuit neared the intersection of Farnell Street, an elderly man alighted from a bus, ran out onto the roadway and was struck by Constable Sewell's motor cycle. Both men

sustained severe injuries and were conveyed to the Parramatta District Hospital. The pedestrian was found to be dead on arrival and Constable Sewell died the following morning. The Sydney Morning Herald of 3 June, 1954 printed the following article, and funeral notices.

CONSTABLE'S DEATH FROM INJURIES IN CYCLE CHASE CRASH

Constable Cecil Sewell, 27, of the Public Safety Bureau, who knocked down and fatally injured a civilian while chasing a speeding motor cyclist on Tuesday, died yesterday from injuries he received in the accident. He will be buried at Rookwood Cemetery today with full police honours. Constable Sewell was chasing the motor cyclist along Woodville Road, Merrylands, at 70 m.p.h. about 4.45 p.m. when he struck **John Thomas Nivens**, 60, who had stepped from a bus. **Nivens**, of Patons Street, Merrylands, died later from his injuries. Constable Sewell, who was thrown from the cycle after it had skidded along the road for 60 yards, died in **Parramatta Hospital** at **6.30 a.m.** yesterday without regaining consciousness. He suffered a fractured skull and internal injuries. Doctors said his condition was too serious to operate. He was married with two children.

FUNERAL TO-DAY

Constable Sewell's funeral will leave for Rookwood after, a service at the **Baptist Church, Harrow Road, Auburn**, at **1.30 p.m.** The Police Pipe Band will lead the cortege, and **Public Safety Bureau** motor cyclists will escort the funeral. The **Superintendent of Traffic**, Mr. **H. E. Snowden**, will represent the **Commissioner of Police**, Mr. **C. J. Delaney**. Among other police officers present will be the **officer in charge** of the **Public Safety Bureau**, **Inspector J. J. Agnew**, and the **officer in charge** of **Parramatta Division**, **Inspector C. S. Jardine**. Police are making a wide search for the speeding motor cyclist, whom they blame for the deaths of **Nivens** and **Constable Sewell**. A senior police officer said yesterday that

the cyclist, if arrested, faced charges of manslaughter.

"FINE OFFICER".

Mr. Snowden said last night: "**Constable Sewell** was an outstanding young policeman with a particularly fine character. He was a policeman the public and the Police Force could ill afford to lose. His workmates in the **Public Safety Bureau** are stunned by his death." **Mr. Snowden** said that police would not treat reckless and thoughtless motorists and drunken drivers and speedsters with "kid glove methods". "We are determined to exert every means at our disposal to make the roads safe for everybody," he said.

SEWELL – Masonic Lodge Auburn No 404 U G L of N S W, The Officers and Members of the above Lodge are fraternally Invited to attend the Funeral of their late esteemed Brother **C E SEWELL**. For particulars see family notice. Regalia."

The constable was born in 1927 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 3 August, 1948. At the time of his death he was stationed at Parramatta. He is listed in the official New South Wales Police Honour Roll.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/18427216>

Sun (Sydney, NSW : 1910 – 1954),

Wednesday 2 June 1954, page 1

CONSTABLE DIES



The late **Constable Sewell**

The late Constable Sewell

WIDE HUNT FOR CYCLIST

70 mph chase costs two lives

A police constable who killed a man when chasing a speeding motor cyclist last night, died at **6.30 am today**. Police are now making an intensive search for the speedster who caused two deaths.

Dead as a result of the chase are **Constable Cecil Sewell**, 27, married with two children and **John Thomas Nivens**, 60, of **Paton St., Merrylands**.

At 4.45 pm yesterday **Constable Sewell** was chasing a motor cyclist along **Woodville Rd., Merrylands**, at about **70 mph (180kph)**.

Siren's scream

His cycle siren was screaming but **Nivens** stepped out on to the road from behind a bus. The police bike crashed into **Nivens**, who was **killed instantly**.

With **Nivens** draped across the handlebars, the motor cycle skidded for **60 yards** before **Nivens** and **Constable Sewell** were catapulted from it.

Sewell, of **Wycombe Rd., Yagoona**, and attached to **Parramatta traffic squad**, was rushed to hospital. He was admitted with a fractured skull and facial injuries. **Sewell** was too badly hurt for doctors to operate on him and he died without regaining consciousness.

At present there is no clue as to the identity of the cyclist responsible for the crash.

Constable Sewell was a member of **Yagoona Baptist Church**. His two children are ; boys – **Ron, 5**, and **Noel, 2**.

Mrs. Sewell. 25, was with her parents in **Lidcombe** during the night.

Constable Sewell's father, Mr. J. Sewell, of **Alice St., Auburn**, said today his son had been in the police force for

six years.

“No gloves”

Traffic Supt. H. Snowden said, “Our drive throughout the State for road safety is going to be enforced with the gloves off. “Reckless motorists and road users who have no regard for the rights of other road users can expect no mercy. “Since police squads have been operating in plain-clothes and ordinary cars, there has been a noticeable decrease in the number of traffic breaches.”

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/230784689/24586984#>

Evan Clyde WILLIAMS

26/10/2012

Evan Clyde WILLIAMS

Late of Macquarie St, South Windsor

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ????

Rank: Constable

Stations: Riverstone

Service: From 28 March 1949 to 10 August 1953 = 4+ years Service

[blockquote]

World War II

Australian Imperial Force Australian Army

Regiment: 2/4 Light
Anti-Aircraft Regiment (RAA)

Enlisted: 9 July
1941, Paddington, NSW

Service # NX38321

Rank: Gunner

Embarkation: ?

Next of kin: **Ethel**
WILLIAMS

Born: 12

January 1922

Religion: ?

Single / Married: ?

Returned to Australia: ?

Date of Discharge: 12 October 1945

[/blockquote]

Awards: No find on It's An Honour

Born: 12 January 1922 at Leeton, NSW

Died on: 10 August 1953

Age: 30

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident – Police
Bike – Rider

Event location: Riverstone Rd,
Riverstone

Event date: 9 August 1953

Death location: Prince Henry Hospital

Funeral date: 12 August 1953

Funeral location: ?

Funeral Parlour: ?

Buried at: McGraths Hill Cemetery,
Charles St

Row 11, Plot 2

Memorial located at: ?





Gunner, Evan Clyde WILLIAMS



Evan Clyde WILLIAMS is buried with Ian Gary WILLIAMS – son – 1952 – 1957



[Half headstone missing] ...Memory of / ...OUR FOND
FATHER / ...WILLIAMS / ...AGED 30 YEARS / ...o /
...WILLIAMS / ...AGED 5 YEARS / ...ISSED. [Note:
Earlier transcriptions have Evan Clyde Williams
died 11th August 1953 aged 30 years & Ian Gary
Williams died 23rd November 1957 aged 5 years]





[alert_green]EVAN is mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_green]

Grave location: TBA

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

PLEASE SEND PHOTOS AND INFORMATION TO Cal

May they forever Rest In Peace

On the **evening of 9 August, 1953** **Constable Williams** was riding a **police motor cycle outfit** along **Riverstone Road, Riverstone** when the cycle collided with another vehicle which had been travelling in the **opposite direction**. The constable was treated at the scene before being conveyed to the **Hawkesbury District Hospital** suffering from severe injuries including a **fractured skull**. He was transferred to the **Prince Henry Hospital** that night, where he was operated on, however he died on **11 10 August, 1953** without regaining consciousness.

The constable was on his way home from duty when the accident occurred.

The constable was born in **1923** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **28 March, 1949**. At the time of his death he was stationed at **Riverstone**.

EX-RESIDENT OF MERUNGLE HILL KILLED IN ACCIDENT

The Late Cst. E. Williams

Residents of Merungle Hill were shocked to learn of the death of Constable Evan Williams, who died on Monday night as the result of injuries sustained in a motor cycle accident.

The late Mr. Williams was a member of the Police Force, and while riding a motor cycle between Parramatta and Windsor on Sunday night his machine came into collision with a motor car. He sustained a fractured skull, and a broken leg. He was taken by Ambulance to the Coast Hospital where doctors performed an operation in an effort to save his life. Despite the best medical skill however, he died from his injuries. The late Mr. Williams' parents who reside at Merungle Hill, did not learn of the accident until told about it by a neighbor on Monday morning who had heard it in a news bulletin broadcast over the air. Mr. Williams immediately got into touch with the police who informed him that they had been endeavouring to locate him. Mr. and Mrs. Williams caught Monday night's train for Sydney, but when they arrived at the Hospital the sad news had to be broken to them that their son had passed away during the night. The late Evan Clyde Williams was born at his parents home which is situated opposite the Merungle Hill School where he received his first schooling. He later attended the Leeton Intermediate High School. He was a returned soldier of the second World War and saw service in the Middle East and New Guinea. He was about 31 years of age, and is survived by his wife and two children. The funeral was held at the Windsor Cemetery on Wednesday. Mrs. Eckley, a next door neighbor of the Williams family, who had known the deceased ever since he was a little boy, said that the news of his untimely death came as a great shock to the people of Merungle Hill where he was so well-known and the shock was all the greater because of the fact that the announcement came so suddenly and

unexpectedly over the air.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/156130553>

Sydney Morning Herald (NSW : 1842 – 1954), **Wednesday 12 August 1953**, page 28

WILLIAMS, Evan Clyde.— August 10, 1953 (suddenly), late police constable, dearly loved husband of Pyhllis Williams of Macquarie street, South Windsor, and dear father of Graham and Ian, aged 30 years.

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/18390127>

Sun (Sydney, NSW : 1910 – 1954), **Tuesday 11 August 1953**, page 21

POLICEMAN DIES

Constable Evan Clyde Williams, 30, of Riverstone, who was seriously hurt when his motorcycle outfit collided with a car near **Vineyards railway station, Windsor**, on **Sunday night**, died in Prince Henry Hospital **early today**.

Murrumbidgee Irrigator (Leeton, NSW : 1915 – 1954), **Tuesday 5 August 1941**, page 2

FATHER AND SON IN KHAKI

Corporal Evan Williams, a **Digger of the last war**, who is now serving with the **Hay Garrison**, was seen in **Leeton** during the week-end with his son, **Gunner Evan Clyde Williams**, also in khaki. The latter has enlisted for service abroad, and is attached to the **anti-tank reinforcements**. Mr. Williams senior arranged his leave to be home with his son, and also to attend the **21st birthday party** given in honor of his daughter, **Joy**, last night. **She was the first baby born on Merungle Hill soldier settlement.**

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/156075803>

Murrumbidgee Irrigator (Leeton, NSW : 1915 – 1954), **Tuesday 9 November 1943**, page 2

WAR CASUALTIES

WOUNDED IN ACTION

GUNNER EVAN CLYDE WILLIAMS as been wounded in action. Gunner Williams, who served in the Middle East, was in action in New Guinea. His father **Cpl. Evan Williams**, is attached to the garrison force at Hay. The wounded soldier's mother, who resides at Merungle Hill, is at present a patient in the District Hospital, where she underwent an operation. The telegram containing the notification read as follows: *'I regret to inform you that Gunner Evan Clyde Williams has been wounded in action. The Minister for the Army extends his sincere sympathy.'*

<https://trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper/article/156038450>

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Relatives of killed officer Evan Clyde Williams being sought

• Krystyna Pollard



Relatives of a local police officer killed on duty more than **60 years ago** are being sought as plans for his grave to be restored in an historic Hawkesbury cemetery forge ahead.

Constable Evan Clyde Williams, a resident of South Windsor, was killed on duty on August 9, 1953 while stationed at Riverstone. Constable Williams had been riding a police motorcycle along Riverstone Road when it collided with another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

He was treated at the scene before being taken to Hawkesbury Hospital suffering from severe injuries, and was later transferred to Prince Henry Hospital to be operated on. He died without regaining consciousness two days later.

The *Narrandera Argus and Riverina Advertiser* stated on **August 17, 1953**, that Constable Williams had only just returned to duty after an earlier injury.

“He had resumed duty only a fortnight after having received injuries when he chased a stolen motor car, the driver of which ran his machine against an electric light pole,” the article stated.

Constable Williams was buried at historic McGraths Hill cemetery, where his grave is currently in a state of disrepair. The NSW Police Memorial and Historical Society is working to restore his grave, and society member Ian Colless is asking descendants to come forward.

"We are seeking anyone who may have known or know the Williams family, or has any contacts in the Hawkesbury district, who could assist," he explained. "McGraths Hill cemetery is heritage listed and any application for work normally requires permission of an ancestor or heir of the burial rights."

Born in 1923 at Leeton, Constable Williams served in WWII where he was injured while serving as a gunner in the 2/4 Light Anti-Aircraft Regiment of the AIF. He joined the NSW Police Force in 1949.

Constable Williams' wife Phyllis stayed in the area for a time after his death and the couple had two sons, Graham and Ian. Ian died as a child and is buried in the same location. Anyone with information should contact coll2ian@gmail.com.

<http://www.hawkesburygazette.com.au/story/5195651/relatives-of-killed-officer-evan-clyde-williams-being-sought/>

Garnet Frederick MORTLEY

26/10/2012

Garnet Frederick MORTLEY

New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # 6325

Rank: Constable

Stations: Special Traffic Patrol (S.T.P.) – North Sydney

Service: From 17 January 1949 to 1 June 1953 =4+ years Service

Awards: ?

Born: ? ? 1928

Event date: 27 May 1953

**Event location: (Old) Princes Hwy,
near Waterfall**

Died on: 1 June 1953

**Cause: Injuries sustained in a Motor
Vehicle Accident**

Age: 25

Funeral date: Wednesday 3 June 1953

**Funeral location: Methodist Church,
Halhousie St, Haberfield @ 11am**

**Buried at: Cremated at Rookwood
Crematorium**



Touch plate at the National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra.

Constable Garnet Frederick MORTLEY



Plaques commemorate eight officers from Sutherland Local Area Command who were killed in the line of duty. The names of the men and details of how they died hang on plaques in the foyer of the station. The plaques were unveiled during the 150th anniversary of policing in New South Wales.

On 27 May, 1953 Constable Mortley was riding a Police Special Traffic Patrol solo cycle to Sydney following an escort to the south coast. Whilst travelling along the Princes Highway near Waterfall, the front tyre on the cycle blew out. The constable was thrown to the roadway, sustaining compound fractures and severe head injuries. He was conveyed to the St George District Hospital, where he died five days later.

The constable was born in 1928 and joined the New South Wales Police Force on 17 January, 1949. At the time of his death he was attached to the Special Traffic Patrol, Sydney.

Police Motor Cyclist Critically Injured

A Sydney police motor cyclist was critically injured when he lost control of his motor cycle on the Prince's Highway on the southern side of Waterfall yesterday afternoon.

He got into difficulties on a corner at the bottom of a long hill on his way back to Sydney after escorting two big lorries through to the South Coast.

His cycle swerved and hit a lorry which was travelling in an opposite direction.

The rider was thrown to the side of the road and the motor cycle careered on along the road and crashed into another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction.

The cyclist suffered a compound comminuted fracture of the thigh, a compound comminuted fracture of the elbow, severe head injuries, internal injuries and severe shock. The motor cycle was completely wrecked.

St. George Ambulance rushed him to St. George District Hospital. His condition last night was described as "very low"

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/134151260>

MORTLEY Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), dearly beloved husband of Elaine Estelle and loving father of Christine, aged 25 years.

MORTLEY, Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), loved son of Garnet (Dick) and Lillian Mortley and dear grandson of Elsie May and the late Frederick Shettle and Mrs C F and the late Charles Mortley.

MORTLEY Garnet Frederick – June 1 1953 at St George Hospital (result of accident), loved son-in-law of James Clifford and Nellie Evelyn Hay and dear brother-in-law of Evelyn Hay.

MORTLEY – The Relatives and Friends of the late **GARNET FREDERICK MORTLEY** of **36 Dalmar Street Croydon** are invited to attend his Funeral to leave the Methodist Church, Dalhousie Street Haberfield Tomorrow (Wednesday) after service commencing at 11 a m for the **Rookwood Crematorium**.

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237 – 9 Liverpool Road Ashfield

MORTLEY – The Relatives and Friends of Mr and Mrs W. W. Dennis Mr and Mrs C Ingle-Olson, Mr and Mrs H Ingle-Olson, Mr. and Mrs T Shirley, Mr and Mrs J Menzies, Mr. L. Traynor and Families, are invited to attend the Funeral of their loved Nephew and Cousin, GARNET FREDERICK to leave the Methodist Church Haberfield, after service at 11 am Wednesday for Rookwood Crematorium.

The Sydney Morning Herald

Wednesday 3 June 1953

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MORTLEY – Lodge Minimbah No 781 U. G. L. of N S W and Sister Lodges – Officers and Brethren are Invited to attend the Funeral of their late esteemed Bro. GARNET FREDERICK MORTLEY to leave the Methodist church Dalhousie Street Haberfield This Day after service commencing at 11 a m for the Rookwood Crematorium (Regalia) F S GLOSS, W.M.; A. A. J GREEN Sec.

<http://trove.nla.gov.au/ndp/del/article/18377764>

The Sydney Morning Herald

Thursday 16 July 1953

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Constable's Death Accidental

The City Coroner, Mr. E. J. Forrest, S.M., yesterday recorded a verdict of accidental death at the inquest on Constable Garnet Frederick Mortley, 25, of Croydon Road, Croydon.

Constable Mortley, who was attached to the Public Safety Bureau, North Sydney, was riding a police motor cycle outfit along Prince's Highway, near Waterfall, on May 27, when the front tyre burst.

The outfit collided with a lorry and Constable Mortley was thrown to the road. He died from injuries at St. George District Hospital on June 1.

Location of Church Service: [codepeople-post-map]

Residence of Garnet MORTLEY at the time of his death:
<https://www.google.com.au/maps/@>