

## Emily Amelia Wolfenden

1867 - 1947

Emily Amelia Wolfenden lived with her family in Wootha and Maleny. Her husband was killed in Sydney in 1912, and she moved to Wootha by October 1916 when her son, Ernest, enlisted. Emily was in Maleny in 1922, likely with her son George, as indicated by the electoral roll, while her son Edward lived in Wootha.

There is a gap in the electoral roll entries until 1930 when she was living back in Sydney. Emily spent most of her life in NSW but was known for her strong support for the Maleny Hospital. She passed away at her son's residence, 173 Vine Street, Fairfield, on September 17, 1947, at the age of 80.

She was the widow of George Stephen Wolfenden and is survived by her children Alfred, Edward, Sidney, Amy (Mrs. Rissman of Queensland), William (Vine Street, Fairfield), and Olive (Mrs. Frank Wilcock, York Street, Fairfield). Her son Ernest is deceased. Emily's sister, Miss Amy Chipperfield, resided with William Wolfenden, and her brothers are Alf (Connell's Point) and Herbert (Bowral).

She was a native of Canterbury and spent most of her life in Arncliffe and Ashfield, with a significant period in Maleny, Queensland.

Emily was active in Red Cross circles, a foundation worker for the local Maleny Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, and involved in Church of England activities and the Order of the Eastern Star. She had 20 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Her funeral was held at St. Barnabas' Church of England, Fairfield, followed by burial at Woronora Cemetery



Emily's horse was 'Mavis' and was born with one eye. Emily rode many miles on rough bush tracks when in Maleny on business which bought the Maleny Soldier's Hospital into existence.