

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Harrington, Ruth Crossman

(1923 - 2016)

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**Born** 1 January, 1923, England

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**Died** 15 August, 2016

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**Occupation** Nurse, Nurse educator, Servicewoman

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### Summary

Ruth Harrington, née Meredith, was born in England and came to South Australia in infancy with her parents. After three months experience at the Adelaide Children's Hospital she was called up for duty in the Australian Army Nursing Service and served for two years until her marriage. Ruth maintained her registration and worked in several country hospitals. In 1968 she did a refresher course at the RAH and subsequently co-ordinated other refresher courses for nurses re-entering the workforce. In 1975 she joined the staff of Sturt College, where the first tertiary nursing course began in that year.

### Events

**2009 - 2009**

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

### Archival resources

#### State Library of South Australia

[Interview with Ruth Harrington \[sound recording\]](#) Interviewer: Joan Durdin

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