

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## McAppion, Beulah Rose

(1927 - 2018)

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<b>Born</b>	26 September, 1927, Queanbeyan New South Wales Australia
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<b>Died</b>	7 June, 2018, Canberra Australian Capital Territory Australia
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<b>Occupation</b>	Public servant
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### Summary

Beulah McAppion is descended from several pioneer families in Canberra's Ginninderra district, the Southwells, Gribbles and Currans. Her grandfather, Henry Curran, was the last Ginninderra blacksmith. Educated at Hall Primary School and Canberra High School, she joined the Commonwealth Department of Price Control in 1942 and following the war served as a clerk in the Commonwealth Superannuation Retirement Benefits Office until 1968. She then managed a cake shop and in the 1980s worked as a volunteer visitor in the Red Cross service for home bound people. From 2002 she was a volunteer counsellor with the Uniting Church.

### Details

Beulah McAppion was born on 26 September 1927 in Queanbeyan, New South Wales, one of the four children of Arthur Henry Curran and Phylis Una (née Southwell). Her paternal grandfather, Henry Roland Joseph Curran (Harry), operated the Ginninderra blacksmith's shop and lived in an adjacent house with his wife Agnes (née Gribble). During her childhood, Beulah saw her grandparents almost every day and has fond and vivid memories of them, their home and her grandfather's workshop. Educated at Hall Primary School and Canberra High School, Beulah joined the Commonwealth Department of Price Control in 1942 and following the war served as a clerk in the Commonwealth Superannuation Retirement Benefits Office until 1968. She then managed a cake shop and in the 1980s worked as a volunteer visitor in the Red Cross service for home bound people. From 2002 she was a volunteer counsellor with the Uniting Church.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

From Lady Denman to Katy Gallagher: A Century of Women's Contributions to Canberra, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2013,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/ldkg>

### Archival resources

#### ACT Heritage Library

[HMSS 0326 Beulah McAppion Oral History Recording](#)

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## Digital resources



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