

# The Australian Women's Register

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## Roe, Jillian Isobel (Jill)

(1940 - 2017)

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**Born** 10 November, 1940, Tumby Bay South Australia Australia

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**Died** 12 January, 2017, Pearl Beach New South Wales Australia

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**Occupation** Historian

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### Summary

Jill Roe was a distinguished Australian historian and academic who wrote an important biography of the Australian writer Miles Franklin. She published her memoir, *Our Fathers Cleared the Bush*, about her childhood on the Eyre Peninsula in 2016.

Read more about Jill Roe in our sister publication [The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia](#).

### Events

#### 2007 - 2007

Appointed an Officer of the Order of Australia (AO)

### Published resources

#### Book

Our fathers cleared the bush: remembering Eyre Peninsula, Roe, Jill, 2016

#### Article

Jill Roe, Miles Franklin biographer, remembered as 'one of Australia's greatest historians', Torsh, Daniela, 2017, <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-01-17/jill-roe-historian-dies-aged-76/8185528>

#### Resource

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Site Exhibition

The Encyclopedia of Women and Leadership in Twentieth-Century Australia, Smart, Judith and Swain, Shurlee (eds.), 2014, <http://www.womenaustralia.info/leaders>

### Archival resources

#### National Library of Australia, Manuscript Collection

[Papers of Marilyn Lake, 1964-1999 \[manuscript\]](#)

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