

John Crilly

Rushworth Chronicle

8 November, 1929

One by one the old pioneers of the Rushworth district are passing to the Great Beyond and we regret to have to record another, and one of the oldest, in the person of Mr. John Crilly, who passed away at the Mooroopna Hospital on Sunday night last after an illness of three or four weeks.

The late Mr. Crilly, who was 78 years of age, was born in County Down, Ireland, came to Australia with his parents when he was three years of age. His parents then came to Rushworth, Mr. Crilly being then being seven years of age, He has lived in Rushworth nearly the whole of his life.

He was the engine driver at the late Mr. Wigg's brewery (now demolished) for many years. He also engaged in mining and worked on the Canadian Reef mine.

He was one of the first members of the Rushworth Band and a very early member of the OddFellows' Lodge.

He was unmarried. He was a brother of Mrs. J. Laurie, of Wanalta.

He was of a happy disposition and made many friends by whom he will be greatly missed.

The funeral took place on Tuesday last, the remains being brought from Mooroopna and interred in the Rushworth Cemetery.

The burial service was conducted by Rev. F. G. Faram (Presbyterian).