Mrs. Mary Winifred Roche

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It is with deep regret that we have to announce the death of Mrs. Mary Winifred Roche, wife of Mr. Martin Roche, of Murchison Road, Rushworth, which occurred at the Mooroopna Hospital on Tuesday morning last after a long and painful illness.

The deceased lady, who had been in indifferent health for the past five years, had been seriously ill for the past nine months and had, for seven months, been a patient at Mooroopna Hospital.

Mrs. Roche, who was 65 years of age at the time of her death, was born at Ballarat, and was a daughter of the late James and Mary Dwyer. She was married to Mr. Martin Roche at West Melbourne in 1912, and came to reside at Rushworth, with her husband in 1924, after living for a time at Trafalgar.

During her 14 years in residence here, although of a quiet and retiring nature, the deceased had made many friends who will cherish her memory.

Besides a sorrowing husband the deceased leaves a family of two daughters, Mary Winifred (Mrs Jack Hageman) and Eileen, and two sons John and Martin, to mourn the loss of a devoted wife and mother.

The funeral was conducted to the Rushworth cemetery on Wednesday afternoon from St. Mary's Church, the Rev. Father Tehan conducting the last rites at the graveside.

The coffin-bearers were Mesrs J. Roche (brother-in-law), D. Dwyer (brother), J. Hageman (son-in-law), J. Connolly, J. Laracy and F. Hageman, and the pall was borne by Messrs J. Roche, senr., (father-in-law), J. Koopman, J. Robinson, C. Bell, R. Brice and C. McInnes.

Messrs Kittle Bros. had charge of the mortuary arrangements.