

Mrs. Maryanne Steigenberger

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A very old resident of Rushworth died on Friday last, in the person of Mrs. Maryanne Jane Steigenberger, who passed away peacefully in her sleep at the age of 92 years.

She was born in London and came to Australia 74 years ago, with her husband, the late Mr. J. J. Steigenberger, who predeceased her by 33 years. Mr. Steigenberger engaged in farming operations in Rushworth district.

The grand old lady, who attained such a long number of years, was greatly admired by a large circle of friends.

She had a lovable personality and was to the last keenly interested in her domestic affairs.

Her passing breaks yet another link in the chain of old colonists who developed our land when it was in a raw state and living conditions were severe.

She resided with her daughter, Mrs. W. Hay, of Murchison road, where she died.

She is survived by one son and two daughters, viz., George (Shepparton), Chrissie (Mrs. Hay) and Anne (Mrs. Anderson, Stanhope). Four daughters and a son predeceased her. In addition she leaves 27 grandchildren and 25 great grandchildren.

The remains were interred at Rushworth cemetery on Sunday, Rev W. A. Williams officiating at the graveside.

The pall-bearers were Messrs. H. Hay, W. Hay, A. Hay, J. Risstrom, A. Anderson and Arthur Anderson, the coffin-bearers, Messrs. G. Strawbridge, G. Risstrom, J. Rattray, and W. Anderson, and the flower-bearers, Messrs. Rob. Anderson, Ron Risstrom, A. Risstrom and Roy Risstrom.

The funeral arrangements were carried out by Whitaker and Diggle.