Mr William West

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The death occurred at his home on Sunday last of Mr William West of Colbinabbin East.

Mr West was aged 87 years, and was a colonist of 85 years, coming to Victoria at the age of two years. He was born at Onley, England.

For many years he engaged in farming pursuits in the Bacchus Marsh district, coming to Colbinabbin about 17 years ago. His wife predeceased him by 14 years.

Mr. West was an ardent horticulturist, taking many prizes for flowers and vegetables and specialising in dahlias. He gave valuable support to the Colbinabbin Horticultural Society.

During his residence in Colbinabbin the late Mr. West gained many friends, who will greatly regret his demise. He was universally esteemed for his kindliness and uprightness.

He is survived by three daughters and three sons, viz., Ethel, Minnie (Mrs J. R. Crook, Colbinabbin East), Ruby (Mrs. H. S. Grant, Bacchus Marsh), William, Charlie and Norman. His sons are all returned soldiers.

The remains were interred in the Rushworth Cemetery on Monday. Rev, C. H. Patmore officiating at the graveside. The pall-bearers were Messrs. C. Burge, T. Mulcahy, C. Whitchurch, W. Collins, J. Taylor, W. Pearce and D. Gamble; the coffin-bearers, Messrs. J. R. Crook, E. Hunt, A. Adamson and F. Burge, and the flower-bearers, Cr. G. F. Walbran and Mr. F. Rich.