

Sister Frost Australian Army Nursing Service



Annie Constance Frost's service in World War I is commemorated on the War Memorial in Burwood Park. She enlisted at the age of 30 as a staff nurse in the A.M.C. on 5 June 1917. Her next of kin is recorded as her mother, Mrs Alice Frost, 'Narara', Gordon Street, Burwood and her religion as Church of England.

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Frost embarked from Melbourne on 13 September 1917. On 7 October 1917 she disembarked from H.M.A.T. 'Runic' in Durban to await continuation of her voyage to Egypt. On 3 November 1917 she embarked on H.M.A.44 stat hospitalT. 'Caronia' for Egypt via Bombay.

She joined the 44th Stat Hospital at Kantara on 3 December 1917 and the 31st General Hospital in Abbassia. She left Pt Said on 21 October 1918 and joined the 52nd General Hospital in Salonika on 25 October 1918. She embarked for the UK. On 25 February 1919 she disembarked at Southampton from Salonika and reported to HQ AIF in London. She left Southampdon on 31 March 1919 on the H.T. 'Wandilla' and returned to Australia, arriving on 18 May 1919 on completion of her tour of duty. She served for two years and was discharged on 13 June 1919.

The Australian Army Nursing Service, which was actually a reserve, was established on 1 July 1902. The Service was staffed by volunteer civilian nurses who would be available for duty during times of national emergency. Members of the Service served in both the World Wars, staffing medical facilities in Australia and overseas. In 1949 the Service became part of the Australian Regular Army and is now known as the Royal Australian Army Nursing Corps (RAANC).

Annie Constance Frost was awarded the following medals:

