



THE SALVATION ARMY
AUSTRALIA TERRITORIAL HEADQUARTERS

Official Notice

PROMOTED TO GLORY

Captain Elizabeth (Betty) Blackburn

22 February 1932 – 10 May 2026



Captain Betty Blackburn was Promoted to Glory on 10 May 2026, aged 94 years, and entered her eternal reward after faithfully serving God 46 years. Betty trained in the Shepherds Session, being commissioned on 10 January 1955.

*The Master said to Betty, 'Well done, good and faithful servant.
You have been faithful Enter into the joy of your master.' Matthew 25:23*

Our love and prayers, along with our heartfelt sympathy cover Betty's lifelong friend and colleague Major Phia Gibb (Retired) and the extended Gibb family.

A Public Service of Thanksgiving & Celebration of Betty's life will be held on:

Date: Tuesday 19 May 2026
Time: 1pm
Venue: The Salvation Army Waverley Temple
958 High Street Road
Waverley Victoria 3150

Livestream: <https://tobinbrothers.com.au/tribute/elizabethlorraine-blackburn-089608/>

Afternoon tea will be provided after the service at the hall

For those who may want to convey condolences, please see the following contact information:

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On behalf of **The Secretary for Personnel**

Captain Elizabeth (Betty) Blackburn

Appointment History*

*The Australia Territory of The Salvation Army
acknowledges and honours the service of
Betty Blackburn
Shepherds Session*

Out of Burnley Corps	Australia Southern Territory	
Beechworth Corps, Northern Victoria Division	Australia Southern Territory	1955
Port Lincoln Corps, South Australia Division	Australia Southern Territory	1956
Break in service	Australia Southern Territory	1957
Burnley Corps, South Australia Division	Australia Southern Territory	1982
Victor Harbor Corps, South Australia Division	Australia Southern Territory	1986
Tea Tree Gully Corps, South Australia Division	Australia Southern Territory	1987
Assistant Manager, Parklyn Senior Citizens Residence, South Australia	Australia Southern Territory	1990
Relief Court Officer, The Gill, Victoria	Australia Southern Territory	1992
Day Care Supervisor, The Gill, Victoria	Australia Southern Territory	1992
Retirement	Australia Southern Territory	1993

*"Well done, good and faithful servant!" Matthew 25:23
"Having fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7*

**Appointment History as recorded on Officer Personnel file*