



THE SALVATION ARMY
AUSTRALIA TERRITORIAL HEADQUARTERS

Official Notice

PROMOTED TO GLORY

Major Valerie Smith

12 May 1934 - 7 July 2026



Major Valerie Smith was Promoted to Glory on 7 July 2026 aged 92 years, and entered her eternal reward after faithfully serving God as a commissioned officer for 64 years. Valerie trained in the Shepherds session being commissioned on 10 January 1955.

*The Master said to Valerie '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 covers her children, Christopher, Leanne, and Chelsea and her grandchildren, Courtney, Bailey, Mitchell, Sophie, and Aayan.

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

Date: Friday 17 July 2026

Time: 11.00 am

Venue: Ern Jensen Funerals Preston
6 Bruce Street,
Preston Vic 3072

Livestream: Will be made available via

<https://www.jensenfunerals.com.au/upcoming-services/>

Light refreshments 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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144 Westmeadows Lane
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Major Valerie Smith

Appointment History*

*The Australia Territory of The Salvation Army
acknowledges and honours the service of
Valerie Smith
Shepherds session*

Out of Collie Corps	1954	
Seaforth Boys' Home, Western Australia	1955	Australia Southern Territory
Seaforth Eventide Home, Western Australia	1955	Australia Southern Territory
Nedland Boys Home, Western Australia	1956	Australia Southern Territory
Box Hill Boys Home, Victoria	1960	Australia Southern Territory
Nedlands Boys Home, Western Australia	1963	Australia Southern Territory
Matron, Nedlands Boys Home, Western Australia	1964	Australia Southern Territory
In Charge, Nedlands Cottage, Western Australia	1965	Australia Southern Territory
Men's Social, Nedlands, Western Australia	1965	Australia Southern Territory
Corps Officer, Rivervale Corps, Western Australia	1970	Australia Southern Territory
Seaforth A.R.C. Western Australia	1979	Australia Southern Territory
The Open Door Alcoholic Rehabilitation Hostel, Victoria	1982	Australia Southern Territory
Assistant Officer, The Anchorage, Victoria	1986	Australia Southern Territory
Launceston Home Collection Industries Trading Posts, Tasmania	1990	Australia Southern Territory
Manager, Ashfield House, Tasmania	1993	Australia Southern Territory
Chaplain - The Gill, Victoria	1994	Australia Southern Territory
Retired	1995	Australia Southern Territory

*"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