

RESEARCH NOTES (sources as noted) for ADA CLARICE CLARK

By Wendy Baker with thanks to Ian Masters, Julie Toner, Susanne Laslett

18 DEC 1890 BIRTH

South Australian Births, Registrations

Ada Clarice CLARK

Date: 1890-12-08

Father: Robert CLARK

Mother: Annie Jane McEwin [sic] SMITH

Birth Place/Residence: Naracoorte

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ST PAUL'S DAY, JANUARY 1891 BAPTISM

Source: Primary: Certified Exact Copy from the Register of Baptisms Kept in This District (signed: W.M. Teape, Minister for the District)

Baptisms Solemnised in the Parochial District of St Pauls, Naracoorte South Australia in the Year 1891.

Date Baptised:

Date born: 5 Dec.1890

Name: Ada Claris [sic]

Parents' names: Robert & Annie Jane McEwin [sic]

Surname: Clark

Quality/Trade/Profession: Carpenter

By Whom the ceremony Performed: W.M. Teape Priest of the S.E. Mission

OCT 1925 - DEC 1939 PURCHASE & SALE OF PAYNEHAM HOME

Source: Cultural Heritage Centre, St Peters Town Hall - www.npsp.sa.gov.au Denise Schumann (2019)

27 Albert Street, Payneham: A bungalow style house, it was built in 1924 for Mrs Mabel Hays. It was purchased in October, 1925, by Miss Ada Clarice Clark, a daughter of Robert William Clark. Miss Clark lived there for 14 years, before selling the property in December, 1939

8 JUL 1962 DEATH REGISTRATION

South Australian Deaths, Registrations 1916 to 1972

Clarice Ada CLARK

Date: 1962-07-08

Age: 71y

Status: S

Relative:

Residence: Maylands

Death Place: Magill

District Code: NorSymbol: H

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HEADSTONE for this lady gives her name as "Clarice Ada" not "Ada Clarice" – possibly because she was always known as Clarice?

Julie Toner (William Clarence Clark's grand-daughter) wrote to Wendy Baker, saying that she remembered visiting an Aunty Ada at Nairne when a child; she remembers a dusty laneway leading to an old cottage. There was an old pram kept outside to store firewood. To date this has not been able to be positively verified, but it could be the same Ada Clarice.

Susanne Laslett, great-grand daughter of Mary Elizabeth Smith, sister of Annie Jane McEwen Smith, recalls visiting "aunty Clarice" and "Min" (Emily Louise Smith, sister of Mary and Annie who had raised the 5 Clark children after the death of their mother in 1895), in a country cottage, possibly Verdun/Nairne.

Wendy Baker, granddaughter of Ada Clarice's brother Herbert Hinde, remembers the same cottage when she went there as a 3 year old with her father Robert (Bill) William Clark and grandfather Herbert Hinde Clark to visit "Aunty Em" (or "Min", both the same person). Ada Clarice remained single all her life.
