

VALE JOHN (JACK) RANDOPH MAYNES

(5/12/1909 - 22/10/1996)

The Society extends its sympathy to family and friends - particularly Harry and Janis, Derek and Jacqueline.

Illawarra has lost a well known identity.

Starting life at Charcoal Creek (Unanderra) he developed a love for Illawarra that was obvious to all.

He saw Unanderra change from a farming community to a thriving garden, residential and industrial estate. He was there at the Primary School as an honoured guest when it celebrated its centenary.

Jack's business interests included the Dairy Industry for which he had a special love and this continued until his death.

Jack's interest in people was the external manifestation of his love for his fellowman. He had the ability to relate to young and old alike. St Matthew's and St Mark's at West Wollongong were the recipients of his benevolent nature as was any other organization he belonged to.

He was a pillar of the Illawarra Historical Society and a member for 26 years. He served as Vice President, then President and was a curator on and off a long time. He loved the Museum and was Publications Officer for many years. Our bus trips would not have been the same if he had not attended with his wife Isabel. Jack was also on the committee for some 20 years. He was also the Society's representative on the Heritage Committee and was a guest speaker for both our Society and for many other organizations.

Jack was also a great supporter of many other good causes but, more than this, he was always encouraging and helping someone - he saw a need and he responded.

With the death of his wife and life partner, Isabel, he still soldiered on - always caring and concerned for others and the world at large.

A number of members of our Society said their goodbyes to him at the funeral, which was very well attended.

Amelia Pezzutto