



Vale

Elaine Margaret Sanders

Elaine Margaret Sanders was born Loris Elaine Jarvis on 24 March, 1935 and at the age of 4½ was adopted by Allan Mervyn and Selina Margaret Lyons, and renamed Elaine Margaret Lyons. She also acquired a brother Allan Gordon Lyons, aged 12.

She first went to school at Five Dock Primary School, but at age 9 was tested and was eligible to attend Summer Hill Opportunity School for 5th and 6th classes. This entailed travelling by 2 different bus routes through a number of suburbs. One of the bus routes passed Trinity Grammar School where Bill Sanders was a boarder at that time. So near and yet so far!

She went on to Fort Street Girls High School, travelling by bus and train into the city of Sydney for the next 5 years. Having been the school swimming champion at Summer Hill, she fronted up to swim in her age race at Fort Street in her little floral cotton swimmers. Imagine her surprise when her competitors lined up in their Speedos having been trained! Needless to say, she was never a swimming champion again.

From Fort Street she went on to Sydney Teachers College to train as a Physics, Chemistry and Maths teacher. In her 20 years as a teacher, she NEVER taught Physics or Chemistry, however, she did become the main teacher of Biology about which she didn't have a clue. As well as English, she taught Geography, History, Phys.Ed to name a few. Fortunately, a school inspector informed her she was in a dead-end

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Mindful Mummies

Yoga with Natasha from Auraville

Wednesdays 3:15pm – 4:30pm
(during Term 4)

Join us for a gentle yoga session designed to help mums relax, reduce stress, and learn simple techniques for everyday stress reduction.

Afterwards, connect with other mums in a supportive and relaxed environment and enjoy a free cuppa

Creche provided

Meet at the Anglicare office
57 Taylors Road (The Bounty Centre)



Grow Girl

Wellbeing Space for Girls

A fun, relaxed space for girls to connect, create, and feel good about themselves
Come along to an afternoon of self-care, creativity, and wellbeing
Learn simple ways to look after your skin, nails, and hair; while learning mindfulness and relaxation activities.
Explore positive ways to build confidence, self-esteem, and self-love in a supportive, judgement-free environment
For Girls aged 14 - 17 years



Calendar

22nd October Thursday, 3pm – 4:30pm

Wellbeing Topic: 'Me and My Worth'
Skin Care with Qualified Beauty
Therapist, Jessica

5th November Thursday, 3pm – 4:30pm

Wellbeing Topic: 'Be Kind to You'
Nail Care with Qualified Beauty
Therapist, Jessica

19th November Thursday, 3pm – 4:30pm

Wellbeing Topic: 'Confident Me'
Hair Care with a Qualified Hairdresser

3rd December Thursday, 3pm – 4:30pm

Wellbeing Topic: 'Grow from Within'
Mindfulness Activities

Build your Self-Care Chest

Week One: Self-Care Chest, Face Mask and Lip Balm, Note Pad and Pen

Week Two: Nail Polish and Hand Cream, Incense Burner and Incense Sticks

Week Three: Head Band and Hair Mask, and Playdough

Week Four: Stickers, Colouring-in Book and Pencils

Everything you need will be provided!
Just bring your Glorious Self!

Limited Places!

Call Anglicare on 22232 to secure your place or drop into the office at 57 Taylors Rd (The Bounty Centre)



Term 4 Programs



Rhyme Time Playgroup

Starting 8th October, 26

Thursdays during term

9am – 11am

Sensory Playgroup

Starting 9th October, 26

Fridays during term

9am – 11am



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job with no possibility of advancement, and suggested she apply to go into primary school teaching or to university to get a degree. She chose the latter and went to Sydney University as an evening student, and obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree, followed by a year at ATS for more Maths study. Her final year of teaching was at Gosford High School.

Outside of these years of education, she was a Brownie, and then a Girl Guide, as well as participating in the Comrades at the Methodist Church.

Her life changed dramatically following a holiday on Norfolk Island where she met Bill Sanders. Probably nothing would have come from this meeting except that Bill had an encounter with a very sharp knife which necessitated him being flown to Sydney to repair the damage. The friendship which started on Norfolk Island was re-kindled and the rest, as they say is history.

Bill and Elaine were married in Gosford and Elaine came to live on Norfolk where she had a completely different life to the one she had had previously. She helped in the rental car business, mostly washing cars and doing office work. She did a basic accountancy course by correspondence so she could keep the company books, and was fortunate to become the Librarian for over 20 years at the Public Library, a job which she maintained was the best job on the island.

She was a member of the Methodist and then the Uniting Church, and for many years was an Elder, the Treasurer and Secretary of the Church. For over 20 years she sang in the Chapel Choir, and was fortunate in singing in the quartet and the quintet organised by Pastor Keith Jackson. She had to work hard in these two groups as she was what she called "the weakest link". However, it was a privilege to participate in these groups which sang at events in the different churches.

While living in NSW she was sworn in as a Justice of the Peace for that state, but moving to Norfolk Island put an end to this service. However, she had the privilege of becoming a Lay Magistrate on Norfolk Island, a position she held for over 30 years.

Although Elaine had no children of her own, on her marriage she gained 5 stepsons, Willie, Winton, David, Mick and Mark – and later these produced eleven grandchildren, Carissa, Warren, Stacey, Blake, Keren, James, Jay, Zach, Rhys, Bethany and Grace.

The next generation arrived with Great grandchildren, Taj and Zya, Ellse and Daisy, Shania, Chase and Mylee, Macey, Marlee and Gia, Mace and Archie, Charlie and Sage, and great, great grandson, Axel.

She thanks them all and their spouses for their love and support.

She leaves behind a nephew Geoff, and a niece Vivienne, and their spouses Lucienne and Colin, and great-nephew Luke. Sister-in-law Valda has been an inspiration.

Special mention must be given to Pauline Brooker who has been more than any daughter could have been to her. Thank you, Pauline, Brian and Breanna for being such a wonderful, extended family.

Mention must also be made of Bill's precious nieces Karin, Kristina and Anita.

Elaine was proud to become the Matriarch of the Sanders family, even for a short while.

Grieve not, those who are left behind. Jesus waits to greet us all, if we but believe.

Thank You

Elaine's family would like to thank the people who helped us in so many ways.

To the hospital staff for your kindness while Elaine was in your care; to Mal and your team for providing the coffin; to Shane and the gravediggers for giving your time; to the wreathmakers and everyone involved in making the beautiful floral tributes, as well as the people who provided flowers and those who decorated the gravesite; to Barb Elliott and Elaine's Uniting Church community who prepared the church and delivered the service as Elaine would have wanted it, and to Pastor Chris Sparks for taking the service; to the Pallbearers who she was so proud of, and to Wayne Bedford for providing a vehicle for the pall bearers; to the Police for the escort to the cemetery, and to Leonard for driving Elaine to her final resting place; and finally to Trent and his team for providing the sound and the music at the cemetery that Elaine had chosen.

With grateful thanks to everyone for the beautiful, Norfolk farewell.



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