Porridge with soft brown sugar. Soft boiled eggs with thick wholemeal soldiers. High backed, low legged chairs with vinyl seats made lower because the stuffing was falling out and the springs showing through (family chairs that had come through the ages). Deep baths with floating toys and saturated floors. Grandma's room – a high bed and bookcases, of being quiet whenever we went in there.

Slices of apple or a carrot at bed time and tucked in with a loving kiss. Of sleeping on the old brown couch with blinds down at night so that if you woke in the night you didn't even know what house you were in, let alone where the light switch was. Of the beautiful pendulum clock which held me mesmerised on many occasions.

Of a rambling red brick house with an oil burning stove where delicious food aromas were ever present. A high picket fence surrounding a wonderfully over grown back garden with secret corners and a bird cage. A front garden where you could make cubbies out of the old canvas fold up bed and all the pillows and rugs you could find, where Tim and I awaited our picnics of healthy snacks; buffered from busy Rochdale Road by the big peppy tree.

I loved to be at that place, where Tim was happy to play whatever was going, a place as close to home as you could get in the city. Of a loving Aunty, so like my Mum, but with her patience tested by one child not four.

Child's memories I know, but extremely special to me. Robyn Dennis

"When Melita comes into the room, everyone goes gooey" Alzheimer's Association

#### WELL DONE MELITA

On October 28 1991 Melita Law received the Senior of the Year Award from the hands of Minister Ian Taylor MLA, with the words, 'Our special thanks go to this unsung heroine. As founder member of the Alzheimer's Disease Association, she was its treasurer for seven years. In addition to her formal role she has provided sustained care and support for needy families affected by Alzheimer's.''

On Friday 16th May 1997 the Rotary Club of Perth awarded Melita Law the prestigious Community Leadership Award for her long-standing dedicated volunteer work with the Alzheimer's Association WA. As Melita received her award she also received a standing ovation from the 130 members and guests present. Melita responded by stating she was only receiving the award as representing the hundreds of other volunteers who are contributing in the community.

#### WELL DONE MELITA

Home grown Rhubarb on cereal for breakfast.

"I just had this feeling they needed me, so I had to go"

Writing your memories of Melita is a great way of celebrating her life. These can be shared via a memorial website Tim is creating shortly at www.peoplehelp.com.au/stories/melita Please send your thoughts to him via email tim@peoplehelp.com.au or post to:

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08 9448 6128 0412 747757 Melita Grace Law 31st August, 1917 16th March, 2002 84 years

Daughter of
Paula Pustkuchen &
Tom Scotland

Sister of
Norah, Helen, Pauline,
Tom, Elsa and Pat

Wife of

Max

Mother of

Tim

Grandma of
Jacob, Jaime (her angel),
Christopher and Cassidy.

#### Tom Scotland - Melita's brother.

Tom symbolises Melita's family history; her past. Of being a sister, second eldest in a family of 'Seven Little Australians', and the first to pass on.

## Craig Masarei - President Alzheimer's Association.

Craig symbolises Melita's work in the community, her selfless care of others, typified by her commitment to organisations to which she had no particular connection, just a desire to help.

#### Tim Law - Melita's son.

Tim symbolises her legacy; her future. His cousins are his siblings too. Melita was devoted to her grandchildren, Jacob, her angel Jaime, Christopher and Cassidy. She revelled in their achievements.

**Stephen Lipple - St. Michael's Church.** Stephen symbolises Melita's love of God, of the Church, of St. Michael's, of her love of all the things of God, nature, music, sharing and peace.

# Betty Bennetts - President Returned Sisters Sub Branch of the RSL.

Betty symbolises Melita's nursing life, her experiences through the second world war, the deprivations of caring in a war zone, and the strengths, the friendships that came from that.

Tim and Kerry invite you to share your own memories briefly in the Condolence Room, and for a light lunch at the Lisle Lodge Common Room, Lisle Street, Mount Claremont.



## Order of service

#### Welcome

Tom Scot land

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father in Heaven may your name always be kept holy

May your kingdom come

And what you want be done

here on earth as it is in heaven

Give us the food we need for each day

Forgive us our offences

As we forgive those who offend against us

Do not cause us to be tempted

but save us from the evil one

For yours is the kingdom and the power and

the glory for ever and ever. (Matthew 6)

Melita my sister

Tom Scot land

Volunteer work

Craig Masarei

Placing of flowers

My Mother, my Aunt Tim Law & cousins

Psalm

Stephen Lipple

Melita's Reading

Tom Scot land

Committal

Last Post

**Ode** B

Betty Bennetts

They shall grow not old

as we that are left grow old,

Age shall not weary them

nor the years condemn,

At the going down of the sun

and in the morning,

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We will remember them.

We will remember them. All

Lest we forget

Reveille

Close