

## **Richard Flanagan and Ellen Flanagan**

Richard Flanagan was born about 1813 in the Parish of Kiltoghert, near the town of Carrick-on-Shannon, in the County of Leitrim, Ireland. Little is known of his childhood and his parents' names are unknown.

Richard joined the 87th Regiment of the Royal Irish Fusiliers on the 23rd day of July, 1831, when he was 18 years of age. He was given a medical examination on the 24th day of July, 1831, at Boyle, Roscommon, Ireland. He was described at that time as a labourer, with fair complexion, grey eyes, light brown hair and a height of five feet seven inches. His medical papers were processed by the medical board at the Recruiting Depot, Townshend Street, Dublin on Wednesday the 7th day of August, 1831 and Number 879 Richard Flanagan was passed fit for the 87th Regiment and for His Majesty's Service.

Richard was in the army for exactly 21 years and 12 days. He was dismissed as unfit for further service on the 24th day of August, 1852. At that time he was described as 39 years of age with light brown hair, grey eyes, fair complexion and a height of five feet seven inches.

Richard travelled during his time in the army. He was in Mauritius for four years and nine months, and Bengal, East India, for two years and three months. He was in Mauritius, an Isle of France, from the 2nd day of January, 1839, and arrived back at Devonport, Plymouth, England on the 30th day of September, 1843. He was in the East India in the early 1850's.

He also spent a short time in prison. This was from the 4th day to the 25th day of September, 1844. He was tried, convicted and imprisoned for drunkenness.

Richard's final medical report on the 11th day of November, 1851, stated;

"No. 879 Pt. Richard Flanagan has been recommended by a station medical committee for a change of climate to England. His disability arises from disease of the lungs, the result of prior position, probably aggravated by exposure on service at home and abroad, and not by vice, misconduct or intemperance."

The report also stated;

"After examination I am of the opinion that Richard Flanagan is unfit for further service and likely to be permanently disqualified for military duty."

Richard's Final Discharge Papers also stated;

"With regard to the character and conduct of No. 879 Private Richard Flanagan the Board have to report, that upon reference to the Defaulter's Book, and by the parole testimony that has been given, it appears that he has been once tried by a Regimental Court Martial for drunkenness, otherwise is a good and efficient soldier. He is in possession of one good conduct badge."

Richard received his good conduct badge on the 16th day of January, 1839.

Ellen Flanagan was born about 1820 in Manchester, Lancashire, England. It is not known exactly when Richard and Ellen were married but there is a record of a marriage of a Richard Flanagan to an Ellen Flanagan on the 5<sup>th</sup> of December, 1836, in the Parish of Kiltoghert, Carrick-on-Shannon, Ireland.

They arrived in Australia on the ship, "William Hammond", on the 2nd day of April, 1856. Their names were not listed in the ship's records as only the convicts were listed, however, only two convict ships arrived in Western Australia in 1856. Richard was in Australia by late April, 1856, and the "William Hammond" was the only convict ship to arrive before that time.

Richard Flanagan came to Western Australia as an Enrolled Pensioner Guard, which meant that he was a retired soldier and guarded the convicts. He worked at the Dartmoor Prison just prior to travelling to Australia. As an enticement to volunteer for the Convict guard, each pensioner was entitled to a free passage for himself, his wife and children, employment for a limited period after arrival and to those eligible, a land grant and a two-roomed cottage to which they would be entitled to after seven years occupancy and making general improvements.

Richard was dismissed from the Enrolled Pensioner Guard on the 26th day of April, 1856, for drunkenness while on duty at the Fremantle Barracks. He was reinstated on the 25th day of September, 1856, because his "wife and family" were considered to be "industrious".

In 1967 an incorrect reference was made in the Western Australian press to Richard Flanagan which stated;

"(He) came to this state in 1857 with a force of soldiers after the Crimea War. There were no police here in those days, but when the Government established a police force from the soldiers Richard Flanagan was made the first Sergeant of Police in the State."

In 1867 he was a First Class Constable receiving eighty pounds per year.

Richard and Ellen Flanagan (nee Flanagan) had at least five sons and two daughters. These were Luke Flanagan, John Emmett Flanagan, Richard Charles Flanagan, William Joseph Flanagan, James Michael Flanagan, Ellen Flanagan and Frances Flanagan.

Richard Flanagan made his last Will and Testament at his residence in Murray Street, Perth, on the 24th day of September, 1881. He wrote a detailed Will which had a few conditions. He left all his estate, both real and personal, to his son James Michael Flanagan. This consisted of a block of land between Murray and Douro Streets in the city of Perth. This was a land grant on which a house was built and it was under mortgage to the Perth Building Society. James Michael had to provide his mother with a house for the rest of her life. He had to also provide her with a reasonable weekly or monthly allowance for her support and maintenance. He was to allow his aunt, Mary A. Flanagan, to live with his mother if she was unable to work. He was to allow Richard Charles and William Joseph Flanagan to build a house each on the grant of land if they wanted to do so. If they were to do this within ten years of their father's death the land where their houses were built would become theirs. If no houses were built on the land it would revert to James Michael Flanagan.



Richard Flanagan about 1880

James Michael Flanagan had to ensure that he and his heirs would have celebrated certain Masses for the repose of his father's Soul and those of the Faithful Departed. These were, two Masses as soon as possible after the death of Richard Flanagan and one on each anniversary for the rest of his life and their lives. If any of the above conditions were breached, then half the land was to be sold and the proceeds divided as follows; one fourteenth to Luke Flanagan, one fourteenth to John Flanagan, one fourteenth to Richard Charles Flanagan, one fourteenth to William Joseph Flanagan, two fourteenths to Mary A. Flanagan, one twenty eighth for Masses for the repose of his Soul and that of his wife, Ellen Flanagan, after her death, and fifteen twenty eighths were to be divided equally between James Michael Flanagan and his mother. Richard Charles Flanagan and William Joseph Flanagan still had the opportunity to build on the other half of the land.

Richard Flanagan died on the 5th day of December, 1881, in Perth. He was buried in the Perth Cemetery but his grave site is unknown and unmarked. His death was recorded in *Inquirer and Commercial News* (Perth) on Wednesday the 7<sup>th</sup> of December 1881, as follows;

DEATH. FLANAGAN. — At his residence, Murray street, Perth, on Monday morning, December 5, Richard Flanagan, of County Longford, Ireland, formerly of H.M. 87th Regt in his sixty seventh year. R.I.P.

The same notice also appeared in the *Herald* (Fremantle) on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> of December 1881 and again on the 17<sup>th</sup> of December 1881.

Ellen Flanagan died in Albany, Western Australia. She died at the home of her son, James Michael Flanagan, on the 5th day of January, 1891. Her death and funeral were recorded in *The Australian Advertiser* of Albany. It stated;

"Death.

Flanagan, On the 5th Inst, at Albany, Ellen beloved wife of the late R. Flanagan of Perth, aged 71 years."

"Funeral.

The remains of the late Ellen Flanagan will leave the residence of her son, Mr James Flanagan, Norfolk Street, at 4 p.m., tomorrow (Tuesday). Friends will please accept this invitation."

Ellen Flanagan is recorded as being buried in the Roman Catholic section of Albany Cemetery but her grave site is unknown.

Children of Richard Flanagan and Ellen Flanagan

1. Luke Flanagan

Luke Flanagan was born in 1847. His birth place is unknown but he settled in Tatura, Victoria. He married Ann Boland in Victoria in 1868.

Luke Flanagan and Ann Boland had four children – Mary Josephine Flanagan, John Richard Flanagan, Lucy Jane Flanagan and Annie Ellen Flanagan. The children were all born in Healesville, Victoria between 1870 and 1874.

Mary Josephine Flanagan was born in Healesville in 1870, and married William Murtagh in Melbourne in 1913. Her marriage was recorded in the *Argus* on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of April, 1913, as below;

MURTAGH - FLANAGAN. - On the 17th March, at St. Francis's R.C. Church, by the Rev. Father Quilter, William Murtagh, Corowa, N.S. Wales, to Mary Josephine Flanagan, of Saracen's Head Hotel, Bourke-street, Melbourne, eldest daughter of the late Luke Flanagan, Tatura

Mary Josephine Flanagan died in South Melbourne on the 27<sup>th</sup> of February 1936 and was buried in Tatura, Victoria. Her death and funeral were recorded in the *Argus* on the 28<sup>th</sup> of February, 1936, as follows;

MURTAGH.-On the 27th February, at her residence. No. 33 Albert road. South Melbourne. Mary Josephine, the dearly beloved wife of William Murtagh, formerly of the

Metropolitan Hotel. William street, Melbourne, and beloved daughter of the late Luke Flanagan, of Tatura. - Rest in peace.

MURTAGH – The friends of Mr William MURTAGH are respectfully informed that the remains of his late dearly beloved wife will be Interred in the Tatura Cemetery, the funeral will leave the Sacred Heart Church, Tatura, Tomorrow (Saturday), at 13 o'clock.

Luke Flanagan and Ann Boland's only son was John Richard Flanagan. He was born in Healesville, Victoria in 1871. He moved to Western Australia where he was working as a Post and Telegraph Official when he enlisted for World War 1. He enlisted at the "Black Boy Hill" camp on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 1916 and had his medical examination two days earlier, on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 1916. At that time he gave his address as the Coolgardie Post Office. He also gave his age as 41 years and 5 months when he was actually about 45 years old. He left Fremantle on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November, 1916 and disembarked in Devonport, England on the 10<sup>th</sup> of January 1917. He was still in training when he was admitted to the New Zealand Army Hospital in Codford St Marys, Wiltshire, England at 9.30pm on the 18<sup>th</sup> of February, 1917. He died at 2.00am the next morning of pneumonia. He was buried on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 1917, Codford St Marys, Wiltshire, England. He was buried in St Marys New Churchyard, Plot Number 87 and his death was recorded in the Argus on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 1917, as below;

FLANAGAN.- On the 19th February, at St. Mary's Hospital, Codford, England, died of pneumonia, Private John Richard Flanagan, only son of late Luke Flanagan, Tatura, brother of Mrs. Murtagh, Saracens Head Hotel, Melbourne; Mrs. Heily, Culcairn, New South Wales; Miss Flanagan, Tower Hotel, Russell street, Melbourne. Rest in peace.

Luke Flanagan and Ann Boland's second daughter was Lucy Jane Flanagan. She was born in Healesville, Victoria in 1872 and married John Harrison Heily on the 30<sup>th</sup> of January 1905, St Kilda, Victoria. Her marriage was recorded in the *West Australian* on Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of February 1905, as below.

MARRIAGE. HEILY- FLANAGAN.-On January 30 at the Sacred Heart Church, St. Kilda (Victoria), by the Rev J. T. O'Connell, assisted by the Rev. T. J. O'Connell, of Tatura, John Harrison, eldest son of Dr. J. V. Heily, of Rushworth, to Lucie (Tottie), second daughter of Mr. Luke Flanagan, of Tatura, and niece of Mr. W. J. Flanagan, of Fremantle. W.A.

John Harrison Heily was a chemist. He and Lucy settled in the Sydney suburb of Annandale. Lucy Jane Flanagan died on 15 January 1953 at Annandale, New South Wales and was buried the next day. She was buried in the Anglican section of Rookwood Cemetery. Her grave site is in zone D, section 13, grave number 1720. Her death was recorded in the *Sydney Morning Herald*, on Thursday the 5<sup>th</sup> of February 1953, as follows;

HEILY, Lucy Jane.—January 15, at Annandale, widow of late John Harrison Heily, loving mother of Ann, John (Nowra), mother-in-law of Joy and dear grandma of Adrienne, Pamela and John. Privately interred.

The youngest child of Luke Flanagan and Ann Boland was Annie Ellen Flanagan. She was born in Healesville, Victoria, in 1874. She also settled in Melbourne and was not married. She died on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 1933 and like her sister, Mary Josephine Flanagan, was buried in Tatura, Victoria. Her death and funeral were recorded in the *Age* on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 1933, as follows;

FLANAGAN.— On the 18th September, at private hospital, Melbourne, Annie Ellen (Babe), daughter of late Luke and Annie Flanagan (Agricultural Society, Tatura), beloved sister of Wm. Murtagh (Metropolitan Hotel, William-Street) and Mrs. Heily (Sydney).  
R.I.P

FLANAGAN. — The Funeral of the late ANNIE ELLEN (Babe) FLANAGAN, daughter of the late Luke and Annie Flanagan (Agricultural Society, Tatura), will take place at Tatura THIS DAY (Wednesday), 20th Inst.

Luke Flanagan was predeceased by his wife, Ann Boland who died on the 25<sup>th</sup> of February, 1898. Her death was recorded in the *Age* on Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 1898, as below;



Luke Flanagan's Headstone, Tatura Cemetery

FLANAGAN – On the 25<sup>th</sup> February. at her late, residence Ragleigh. Tatura, Ann, beloved wife of Luke Flanagan, aged 58. R.I.P.

Her death was also recorded in the *W.A. Record* on Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of March, 1898, as below;

Death. FLANAGAN. — On the 25th. February, at "Roseleigh," Tatura, Ann, beloved wife of Luke Flanagan, age 56, native of Limerick, Ireland, and formerly of Perth, W.A. Fortified by the rites of the Holy Catholic Church. R.I.P. Deeply regretted. — Inserted by her loving husband and family.

Luke Flanagan died on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April, 1905, in Tatura, Victoria. His death was recorded on Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> of April, 1905, in the *West Australian*, as below;

FLANAGAN. On April 13, at Tatura, Victoria, after a brief illness, Luke Flanagan, formerly of Western Australia, brother of J. M. Flanagan, J.P , Kojonup, and Wm. J. Flanagan. Lunacy Department, Fremantle, aged 58 years.

His death was also recorded in the *Argus* of Melbourne on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 1905, as below;

FLANAGAN.—On the 13th April (suddenly), at "Ragleigh," Tatura, Luke Flanagan, secretary agricultural society, aged 58 years. R.I.P.

## 2. John Emmett Flanagan

John Emmett Flanagan was born on the 28<sup>th</sup> of June, 1851, at Ferespere, in the East India. He married Margaret Jane Campbell on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February, 1875, in the Roman Catholic Church, Albany, Western Australia and was described as a police constable at the time of his marriage. He and his wife, Margaret Jane, moved to South Australia and lived in the Adelaide and Victor Harbour areas of that state.

They later moved to New South Wales and settled in Cootamunta before returning to Western Australia. Their movements can be seen in the lives of their children. They had seven children; Ellen Florence Flanagan, George Richard Flanagan, Horace George Flanagan, Jessie May Flanagan, John Luke Flanagan, William E. Flanagan and Elsie Gertrude Flanagan.

I have not been able to find any record of the birth of Ellen Florence Flanagan either in South Australia or Western Australia. She married John Cross on the 21<sup>st</sup> of September 1890. John Cross died in 1907 and she then married Arthur Weston in 1916. While there are a few errors in the following article from the *Cootamundra Herald* of Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of April 1943, it appears that the family moved to Cootamunda around 1880. It also indicates that Ellen Florence Flanagan left Cootamunda for Sydney around the time she married Arthur Weston.

### PERSONAL.

Revisiting Cootamundra after 27 years is Mrs. E. Weston, now 71, who first came here when she was 6 years old, when the railway was being connected to Wagga. A daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Flanagan; she married twice— first to the late Mr Arthur Weston, then the late Mr. Jack Cross, and raised twelve children, one of whom fell in France during the last war, and the other in this war, in New Guinea. We refer respectively to Ptes Les and Horace Cross. Mrs Weston is staying .with relatives on Church Hill — the Sharman family.

Ellen Florence Flanagan was first married to John Cross and then married Arthur Weston. She had a total of eleven children, ten with John Cross, one of whom, Cecil Cross, died as an infant in 1989. Ellen Florence Flanagan and Arthur Weston had one daughter.

Ellen Florence Flanagan died on the 31<sup>st</sup> of October 1949 and was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Woronora Cemetery. Her grave is in section 5, grave number 0563. Her death was recorded in the Sydney Morning Herald on Tuesday the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 1949, as follows;

WESTON, Ellen Florence.—October 31, 1949, at her daughter's residence, 34 Bourne Street, Marrickville, Ellen Florence Weston, relict of the late Arthur Ernest Weston and dearly loved mother of John (deceased), Horace (deceased), Elsie (Mrs. T. Packer), Thomas (deceased), Doris (Mrs. J. Gammage), Leslie (deceased), James, Nellie (Mrs. L. Scally), Jack, and Allie (Mrs. C. Walsh), aged 76 years. Requiescat in pace.

John Emmett Flanagan and Margaret Jane Campbell were living in South Australia in 1877 and 1878 as their second child, George Richard Flanagan, was born there in 1877. He was born on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 1877, Encounter Bay, South Australia and died on the 24<sup>th</sup> of November 1878, Brompton, South Australia.

By 1879 John Emmett Flanagan and his wife had moved to New South Wales where their second son, Horace George Flanagan, was born. He was born in Sydney in 1879 but died on the 1st March 1880. He is recorded as being buried in the Roman Catholic section of Rookwood Cemetery. His grave is in section M1, section 3BL1, grave number 15.

John Emmett Flanagan and Margaret Jane Campbell's second daughter was Jessie May Flanagan. She was born in New South Wales in 1880. She returned to Western Australia with most of the family sometime after 1887. She married George Augustus O'Dwyer in 1905, Perth, Western Australia. He died just three years later on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September 1908 at the age of 35 years. At that time Jessie May Flanagan was living in Kalgoorlie. In 1921 Jessie May Flanagan married James Alfred Bogue in Perth, Western Australia. They both died in 1941 in Kalgoorlie, Western Australia; James on the 31<sup>st</sup> of August and Jessie on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October and they were both buried in the Roman Catholic section of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery. Jessie May Flanagan's death and funeral were recorded in the *Kalgoorlie Miner* on Monday the 13<sup>th</sup> of October 1941, as follows;

BOGUE.— On October 10, at the Government Hospital, Kalgoorlie, Jessie May, beloved wife of the late James Bogue, aged 61 years. Sadly missed. R.I. P.

BOGUE.— The friends of the late Jessie May Bogue, late of Lakewood, relict of the late James Alfred Bogue, and dearly beloved friend of Miss Duffy, Annie Grubisa and Mr. George Lyons, of Lakewood, Mrs. McRobert, Kalgoorlie, and Mrs. Nancarrow, Perth, are respectfully informed that her remains will be removed from St. Mary's Church,



Brookman street, Kalgoorlie, at 9.45 o'clock THIS DAY (Monday), for interment in the Roman . Catholic portion of the Kalgoorlie Cemetery. Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m.

The *Kalgoorlie Miner* of Saturday the 18<sup>th</sup> of October 1941, recorded a note of thanks as follows;

THANKS.— The relations and friends of the late Mr. and Mrs. Bogue desire to thank matron and staff of the Government Hospital, Drs. Hogan, Shanahan and Starke, Mrs. Bruce, Rev. Fathers and Sisters of St. John and St. Joseph Convents, Boulder. Will all friends accept this as a sincere intimation of appreciation.

The last of John Emmett Flanagan and Margaret Jane Campbell's children to reach adulthood was their son, John Luke Flanagan. He was born in Cootamundra on the 30<sup>th</sup> of May, 1883. He enlisted for World War 1 on the 12<sup>th</sup> of January 1916 at Black Boy Hill, Western Australia. At that time he was working as a labourer but had been an apprentice printer for twelve months. He gave his address as Kalgoorlie.

There are a number of reports in the *Cootamunda Herald* of John Luke Flanagan's war service given below;

Friday 15 September 1916

WAR CASUALTIES. PRIVATE J. L. FLANNAGAN. Private J. L. Flannagan, a Cootamundra native, and a son of Mr. J. E. Flanagan, has been wounded in France. Private Flanagan enlisted in Western Australia in the early days of the war, and went through Egypt, and the Gallipoli campaign. An artistic card was received by his sister, from France, a few days before the bad news came.

Tuesday 15 May 1917

Pte. J. Flanagan Missing. Word came by wire to Cootamundra that No. 4813, Pte. J. Flanagan, of the 16th Batt., is officially reported as missing. Pte. Flanagan is the only son of Mrs. A. E. Weston Cootamundra, and was born here. He enlisted from West Australia. We hope the anxious relatives will in due course receive more reassuring news. (Note that Mrs Weston was a sister not his mother)

Monday 27 August 1917

4.15. P.M., NEWS. - The 53rd casualty list contains 450 names, including killed in action, 207; died of wounds and other causes, 110; wounded, 307; missing 36; sick 175. Prisoners of war include J. Flanagan, Cootamuudra.

Monday 4 March 1918

PERSONAL Mr. John Flanagan has received a letter card from his son, Jack, who is a prisoner of war in Germany. He joined up in Kalgoorlie. Writing on November 4, 1917, he had been seven months a prisoner, "And I can tell you it is pretty monotonous" Pte. Flanagan is a brother of Mrs. A. E. Weston.

Saturday 18 January 1919

PERSONAL. Mr. J. E. Flanagan, Cootamundra has received word that his son, Pte. J. Flanagan, was repatriated from Germany to England, arriving on 18/12/18. (He was just in time for Christmas dinner in "Blighty!")

John Luke Flanagan returned to Western Australia after the First World War. He enlisted in the Army Citizen Military Force in World War 2. He enlisted at Halls Creek. He died in the East Kimberley region of Western Australia in 1946.

John Emmett Flanagan and Margaret Jane Campbell had two other children. William E. Flanagan and Elsie Gertrude Flanagan were twins who were born in Cootamunda in 1886. William E. Flanagan died a year later in Cootamunda. Elsie Gertrude Flanagan moved with her family to Western Australia where she died on the 30<sup>th</sup> of December 1893, Perth. She was buried in the East Perth Cemetery. Her death was recorded in the *Daily News* on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of January 1894, as follows;

FLANAGAN.- On December 30th, 1893 at her parents' residence, Bronte-street, Perth, Elsie Gertrude, the beloved child of J. E. and M. J. Flanagan, Aged 7 years and 2 months

Margaret Jane Campbell died in Fremantle in 1889. Her burial site is unknown but her death was recorded in the *West Australian* on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May 1899, as follows;

FLANAGHAN.- At her residence Quarry street, Fremantle, Margaret the wife of John E. Flanagan aged 50. Deeply regretted by her husband and children.

Sometime after Margaret's death, John Emmett Flanagan returned to Cootamunda. He died on 21 June 1919 in Cootamundra, New South Wales. His death was registered in New South Wales under the name of FLANNAGAN and records his father as Richard and his mother as Ellen. His death was recorded in the *Cootamundra Herald* on Tuesday the 24<sup>th</sup> of June 1919, as follows;

Obituary; JOHN FLANAGAN.

The above well known resident died in the District Hospital on Saturday evening. Deceased had lived in Cootamundra for 40 years, and at one time worked at the mill. He was 68 years of age, and was ill since last April. He had a son at the front, Pte. J. Flanagan,

who enlisted from Western Australia. He is the father of Mrs J. Cross, formerly of Cootamundra, and now of Sydney. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon at 3.30, the burial taking place in the Roman Catholic portion of the general cemetery.

### 3. Richard Charles Flanagan

Richard Charles Flanagan was born in Manchester, Lancashire, England about 1853. He married Mary Ann Thomas in Perth in 1875. Their children were Mary Ellen Flanagan, Mary Elizabeth (Mary Eliza), Alice Maud Flanagan, George Richard Flanagan, James Henry Flanagan, Leonne Flanagan, John Reeves (Rivy) Flanagan, Angela Elizabeth Flanagan and Lyle Gervase Flanagan.

Richard Charles Flanagan and his wife lived in South Australia and then Albany, Western Australia, before returning to Perth. Their first child Mary Ellen Flanagan was born in Perth in 1875. The next two, Mary Elizabeth (Mary Eliza) and Alice Maud Flanagan were both born in Adelaide in 1878 and 1879 respectively. The remaining children; George Richard Flanagan (1882), James Henry Flanagan (1884), Mary Angela Leonor Flanagan (1887), John Reeves (Rivy) Flanagan (1889), Angela Elizabeth Flanagan (1892) and Lyle Gervase Flanagan (1902) were all born in Albany. The first two daughters both died as infants as did Mary Angela Leonor Flanagan while John Reeves (Rivy) Flanagan died aged 12 years in 1901 in Albany.

Richard Charles Flanagan worked as a boilermaker's assistant and died at his home at 88 Boundary Road, Midland Junction, Western Australia on the 24<sup>th</sup> of January, 1924. His death and funeral were recorded in *The West Australian* on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, 1924, as follows;

"Death: Flanagan.

Richard Charles, at his residence, 88 Boundary Road, Midland Junction. Husband of M.A.Flanagan, father of Alice, George, James, Angela and Lyle, aged 70 years."

FUNERAL NOTICES - FLANAGAN.— The Friends of the late Mr. Richard Charles Flanagan, of 88 Boundary road, Midland Junction and late of the -Midland Junction Loco Workshop, are respectfully invited to follow .his remains to the place of interment, the Roman Catholic Cemetery Karrakatta. The Funeral is appointed to leave his residence, 88 Boundary road, at 2.50 p.m. THIS FRIDAY, proceeding to the Midland Junction railway station and thence to Karrakatta by train, leaving Midland at 3.15 p.m. Friends wishing to attend may proceed by same train.

Richard Charles Flanagan was buried on the 25<sup>th</sup> of January 1924, in the Roman Catholic Section of Karrakatta Cemetery. His grave is in section DA, grave number 0179. His wife, Mary Ann, passed away at the age of 92 years on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 1947.

#### 4. William Joseph Flanagan

William Joseph Flanagan was born on the 8<sup>th</sup> of September, 1855, at Princetown, Lidford, Devon, England<sup>D5-1</sup>. Princetown is a village in the Dartmoor National Park in the English county of Devon. The village has its origins in 1785, when Sir Thomas Tyrwhitt, Secretary to the Prince of Wales, leased a large area of moorland from the Duchy of Cornwall estate, hoping to convert it into good farmland. He called the settlement Princetown after the Prince of Wales. There is an electoral ward of Lydford, sometimes spelt Lidford, includes Princetown. Princetown is the site of Dartmoor Prison.



William Joseph Flanagan

William Joseph Flanagan's mother was the informant on the birth certificate and gave her name as Ellen Flanagan, formerly Flanagan. It means that her maiden name was also Flanagan.

At the time of his birth William Joseph Flanagan's father, Richard Flanagan, was described as a "Pensioner" which meant he had been retired from the army and living on a government pension. "Pensioners" formed the basis of the Enrolled Pensioner Guard who were a force of retired servicemen. Members of the Enrolled Pensioner Guard were entitled to a free passage to Western Australia, among other things, for themselves, their wives and children, if they volunteered as guards on the convict ships.

William Joseph Flanagan left England, with his parents and brothers, on the 5<sup>th</sup> of January 1856. They sailed on the "William Hammond" from Plymouth arriving off Fremantle, Western Australia on the 29<sup>th</sup> of March 1856. At that time all goods and passengers had to be transferred to Fremantle via smaller boats and they landed in Fremantle on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April, 1856.

Eleanor Mary Moran, a daughter of Thomas and Anne Moran<sup>D5-2</sup>, was born about August, 1855<sup>D5-3</sup>. Her birth place is unknown. Thomas Moran is believed to have been an Enrolled Pensioner Guard. It is not known when Eleanor Mary Moran came to Australia.



Eleanor Mary Moran

Eleanor Mary Moran and William Joseph Flanagan were married on Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of August, 1873 at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Perth, Western Australia<sup>D5-4</sup>. At that time they were both described as being under twenty one years of age. William was a farmer and Ellen a housemaid. Both their fathers were described as pensioners. Their marriage was recorded in the Herald (Fremantle) on Saturday the 30<sup>th</sup> of August 1873, as below;

#### MARRIAGES.

FLANNIGAN — MORAN — On the 20th August, at the R. C. Cathedral, Perth, by the Very Revd. M. Gibney, William J. Flanningan, to ELLEN MARY MORAN.

William Joseph Flanagan was a warder on Rottnest Island, Western Australia for fifteen years up to 1890. The prisoners on Rottnest were all natives captured during fighting with white settlers. In 1890 he was transferred to the Fremantle Asylum as Officer in Charge. He was later transferred to the Claremont Asylum. William Joseph was a kind and caring man working in institutions that, at the time, had reputations as harsh places.



William Joseph Flanagan seated on the left – 1912 – Claremont Asylum

It is not exactly known when William Joseph Flanagan transferred from the Fremantle Asylum to the Claremont Asylum but this photograph shows him as working at Claremont in 1912.



Left to Right – William Joseph Flanagan, James Michael Flanagan and Richard Charles Flanagan

William Joseph Flanagan was also an active member of the Fremantle community. He was secretary of the Fremantle Literacy Institute for a number of years. He worked as a volunteer in this capacity and in 1901 was offered an annual salary for the position. As a government employee, he was unable to accept the salary unless permission was granted by the Head of the Department. Below is a copy of his letter requesting permission to accept the salary. The letter was written on the 6<sup>th</sup> of February 1901 and his request was granted on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February 1901.

Fremantle Lunatic Asylum  
February 6<sup>th</sup> 1901

The  
Acting Medical Superintendent

Sir

I have the honour to lay  
before the following petition for your kind consideration.

I have been Secretary to the Fremantle Literacy Institute  
for the last seven years and when I took over the duties the Institute  
was very unsatisfactory both financially and numerically and it  
had been seriously considered to close the Institution as the struggle  
to find the heavy interest on mortgage and upkeep had disheartened  
all previous Secretaries and Committees.

As a result of my labours and the active support  
of the leading residents of the town the Institute has prospered  
and is now a credit to Fremantle and last year the Committee  
offered me a yearly salary of thirty six pounds as a small  
recompence for the labours performed which previously were  
given by me gratuitously.

Under the new civil service act no officer  
is allowed to receive any salary or honorarium from any other  
than his department unless with the consent and approval of  
the head of his department.

I have therefore brought the matter before you  
for your consideration and will only assure you that if I am  
allowed to continue the duties as Secretary that they will not in  
any way interfere with my official duties.

I have the honour  
to be Sir



William Joseph and Eleanor Mary Flanagan (nee Moran) had eleven children. These were William Thomas Flanagan, Anna Helena Flanagan, Alice Mary Flanagan, Luke Henry Flanagan, Arthur Richard Flanagan, Anna Helena Flanagan, John Joseph Flanagan, Eveline Maria Flanagan, Edwin George Flanagan, Ellena Mary Flanagan and Edgar Francis Flanagan. It is interesting to note that the name Anna Helena was used twice.

Eleanor Mary Flanagan (nee Moran) died on the 1<sup>st</sup> of June, 1895<sup>D5-3</sup>. She died at their house in Henderson Street, Fremantle, and she was, according to her headstone, 39 years and 10 months old. She was buried in the Skinner Street Cemetery at Fremantle and in 1935, when this cemetery was closed, her headstone was moved to the pioneer section of Fremantle Cemetery. It now as one of the headstone in the historic walk in Fremantle Cemetery.

Her death was recorded in the *West Australian* on Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of June 1895, as follows;

FLANAGAN.-At her residence, Henderson-street, Fremantle on Saturday, June 1st, Eleanor, the beloved wife of Wm. J. Flanagan, aged 39 years. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing husband and large family.



Historic Houses in Henderson Street, Fremantle



Funeral Card of Eleanor Mary Moran



Headstone of Eleanor Mary Moran

There were also two mentions of her death in the *W.A. Record* on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of June 1895, as follows

Death of Mrs. Flanagan. — It is with exceeding regret that we have to record the death of Mrs. William J. Flanagan, which occurred at her residence at Fremantle, on Saturday last. Married at an early age Mrs. Flanagan leaves a large family of ten children to lament her removal from them, when she was but in the prime of a worthily spent and useful life. A loving mother, an exemplary wife, and Christian woman, Mrs. Flanagan was highly esteemed by all who knew her. Fortified by all the sacraments of the Church she passed away in a peaceful and a holy death. A very large number of friends were present at her funeral on Sunday last, testifying to the great regard in which she was held, and to the sympathy felt for her husband and family. We commend the deceased lady to the suffrages of our readers, so that her soul may speedily enter into the eternal repose of the blessed.

FLANAGAN. — Of your charity pray for the soul of Eleanor Flanagan; the beloved wife of William J. Flanagan who died after a short illness at Fremantle, on the 18th inst. fortified by the rites of Holy Church, aged 39 years. R.I.P.

William Joseph Flanagan remarried on the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, 1913. He married Florence Laura Fry at the District Registrar Office, Fremantle<sup>D5-5</sup>.

William Joseph Flanagan was, for a time, on the council at Canning Bridge where he owned land. There is a street named after him in the suburb of Applecross. It was originally spelt as Flannagan, but thanks to the great work of Barney Flanagan (1910 – 1982), a grandson of Richard Charles Flanagan, the spelling was corrected.



Headstone of William Joseph Flanagan

William Joseph Flanagan died on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 1928<sup>D5-6</sup>, at his home at 61 Davies Road, Claremont. He was 73 years of age and described as Chief Attendant, Hospital for Insane. He was buried on the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, 1928, at the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery, in section BA, grave number 0478. His death and funeral were recorded in *The West Australian* on Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of October, 1928<sup>D5-7</sup>, as follows;

"Death.

Flanagan, on October 10, 1928, at his residence, 61 Davies Road, Claremont, William Joseph, dearly beloved husband of Florence Laura Flanagan, late of Canning Bridge, formerly of Lunacy Department, and loving father of Alice (Mrs William Davenport), William T., Richard A., Annie E., John J., Eva M., Edwin G., Nellie M., Edgar F., and the late Luke Flanagan (A.I.F. killed in action), aged 73 years."



"Funeral.

Flanagan, the friends of the late Mr William Joseph Flanagan, late of Canning Bridge, and formerly Chief Attendant, Hospital for Insane, Claremont, are respectfully invited to follow his remains to the place of interment, the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Karrakatta. The funeral will leave his late residence, 61 Davies Road, Claremont, This (Friday) Morning, at 11.30 o'clock, arriving at the cemetery at 11.50 a.m. Friends may proceed by train leaving Fremantle at 11.25 a.m. and Perth at 11.35 a.m."

There was also a similar funeral notice placed by The West Australian Male and Female Mental Nurses' Industrial Union of Workers, Claremont. The Bereavement Notices of the 20<sup>th</sup> of October, 1928<sup>D5-8</sup>, stated;

"Flanagan; The widow and sons and daughters of the late W. J. Flanagan desire to thank all kind friends and relatives for beautiful floral tributes, telegrams, letters, cards and personal expressions of sympathy; especially medical staff, male and female nursing union; also do they thank old Rottnest friends for attendance at the funeral."

There was also an obituary to William Joseph Flanagan, which was printed with a photograph. It stated;

"Obituary - Mr William Joseph Flanagan.

For many years chief attendant at the Hospital for the Insane at Fremantle, and later at Claremont, who died on October 10 aged 73. Deceased was a West Australian by birth, his father, who was a public servant before responsible government, being one of the earliest arrivals in this state."

Obituaries to William Joseph Flanagan appeared in a number of Western Australian Newspapers. The one below appeared on Monday the 15<sup>th</sup> of October, 1928;

OLD GOVERNMENT SERVANT.

The Late Mr. W. J. Flanagan.

Mr. William Joseph Flanagan, who resided in this State for the last 72 years, died last Wednesday, at his residence - 61 Davies-road. Claremont. Born at Princetown, Dartmoor, where his father was sergeant of the guards, Mr. Flanagan came to this State in 1856 with his parents on the William Hammond, a convict ship, his father being sergeant of the guards on board. In 1876 he joined the prison service and was stationed at Rottnest Island for 14 years. He then joined the Lunacy Department and after 43 years Government service retired as chief attendant of the Hospital for Insane, Claremont. In his youth he was one of the leading members of Mr. T.G. A. Molloy's amateur dramatic company, who by their performances contributed to various charitable institutions. Apart from Mr. Walter Simpson, he was the only surviving member of the Working Men's Institute, which

was situated at the corner of Barrack and Murray streets. Perth. Mr. Flanagan was one of the first honorary secretaries of the Fremantle Literary Institute and was a committeeman for nearly 40 years. In 1927 he was elected a life member of the institute and in the same year he was appointed a Justice of Peace for the Fremantle district. Five sons, four daughters and 17 grandchildren survive him.

Mr. Flanagan's remains were interred in the Roman Catholic portion of the Karrakatta Cemetery on Friday last. The Rev. Father Doddy, assisted by the Rev. Father Byrne, officiated at the graveside. The chief mourners were Mrs. W. J. Flanagan (widow), Messrs. W. T., R. A., J. J., and E. F. Flanagan (sons), W. Davenport (son-in-law), Mrs. W. T. Flanagan (daughter-in-law), Mrs. Ogston (aunt). Gerald and Norman Davenport and Miss P. Flanagan (grandchildren) and Mr. A. Livingstone (cousin). The pall bearers were Messrs. C. Frost (past president of the Fremantle Literary Institute), P. J. Kelly, R. C. Kerr, T. J. Gallagher, W. Neal, E. Bogan, B. Hodges, V. Riseley, J. Watson and J. Hogan. Among those present were Dr. E. J. Thompson (Acting Inspector General for Insane), and Mr. C A. Hames (secretary of the Hospital for the Insane, Claremont).

Another obituary to William Joseph Flanagan Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> of October 1928. This obituary interestingly mentions his "kindness and sympathy" for the inmates of the asylums as well as his failing health in his later years.

Died at Claremont last week, William Flanagan, a Western Australian who saw sixty or so years of service in this country before and after Responsible Government. Mr. Flanagan was originally attached to the staff of Fremantle Gaol, became a warder at the old Fremantle Lunatic Asylum and afterwards, under the late Dr. Montgomery, rose to the position of chief attendant at Claremont Hospital for the Insane. Many a man and woman who has served a period of detention at the institution and has since happily recovered will remember the old man for his humanity to the afflicted, for William Flanagan and kindness and sympathy were synonymous terms. Of late years he had retired on a Government pension and lived privately at Canning Bridge in a pretty little cottage by the riverside, but fast failing health and blindness necessitated his removal to Claremont, where he lived with relatives who attended him in his last days. He was a most interesting man to talk with, for he had a memory of the early day events of Western Australia second only to that of the late Horace Stirling (with whom he enjoyed a lifelong friendship, by the way). Always cheerful and broadminded, he had a great admiration for the citizens of his boyhood in the public life of Western Australia, for he understood and appreciated their tremendous difficulties and the problems of colonisation which they had to solve. His funeral was largely attended at Karrakatta on Friday last, amongst those present being many of his old officials at the Claremont Asylum.

William Joseph Flanagan left a very simple Will. His wife received a life interest in his property at Canning Bridge, which was not to be sold after his death but was to remain in the family. His life insurance policy was left

to his wife. His gold watch and chain was left to his son, William, and his diamond stud was left to his son, Edwin. The War Fatality Bond which was due to Luke Flanagan was to be divided according to his son, William's discretion.

It is believed that the land at Canning Bridge was sold by his widow, Florence. Afterwards, she is believed to have left Western Australia for the eastern states. It is not known when or where she died.

As mentioned above, William Joseph Flanagan and Eleanor Mary Moran had eleven children.

1. William Thomas Flanagan was born on the 21st day of November, 1873, in Perth, Western Australia. He and his wife, Mary Frances, had one daughter, Patricia. William Thomas Flanagan died on the 2nd day of February, 1948. His death was reported in *The West Australian* on the 4th day of February, 1948, as follows;

"Death.

On February 2, 1948, suddenly, at Perth. William Thomas Flanagan, loving husband of the late Mary Frances, fond father of Patricia (Mrs R. Vincent), father-in-law of Rod, and loving grandfather of Dennis, Garry and Susan. Aged 74 years. Lived at 249 Canning Highway, South Perth."

William Thomas Flanagan was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery. His grave is in RC section SC, grave number 0110.

2. Anna Helena Flanagan (1) was born on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September, 1875, in Perth, Western Australia. She died in Fremantle on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October, 1879. She was buried at Cemetery Hill, East Perth Cemetery, WA, Australia, but her grave site is unknown.
3. Alice Mary Flanagan was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August, 1877. She was born in Perth and married William Joseph Davenport in Fremantle in 1906. They had four children, two sons and two daughters; Gerald, Norman, Pauline and Evelyn Davenport. Alice Mary was baptised as Mary Winifred in 1877. She died on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January, 1964, and was living at Mt Lawley at the time of her death. She was buried in the Karrakatta Cemetery, Western Australia, Roman Catholic section OC, grave number 0137.
4. Luke Henry Flanagan was born on the 21<sup>st</sup> of July, 1879, in Fremantle. He joined the army at the outbreak of World War 1 and died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 1916, as a result of wounds he had received. He was buried in the St Sever Cemetery, Rouen, France. This cemetery in France contains the graves of 112 Australians. His grave site is in block O, plot III, row K, grave number 6.
5. Arthur Richard Flanagan was born on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 1881<sup>C3-1</sup>. He was born on Rottneest Island, Western Australia. At the time of his birth, his father, William Joseph Flanagan, was a warder on the island. Arthur Richard Flanagan was baptised on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1881, as Richard Arthur Flanagan and his God-Parents were John and Mary Odgers<sup>C3-2</sup>. Throughout most of his life Arthur

Richard was known as Dick Flanagan as he always thought that he was registered as Richard Arthur Flanagan.

He married Alice Maud Jennings were married on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1902, at St Patrick's, Roman Catholic Church, Fremantle, Western Australia<sup>C3-4</sup>. Arthur Richard was described as a bachelor, 20 years of age and working as a draper in Fremantle. Alice Maud was described as a spinster, 24 years of age and was living in Fremantle. After their marriage, Arthur Richard and Alice Maud Flanagan moved to the Norseman area, where Arthur Richard spent approximately the next ten years of his life.

Alice Maud Jennings died of influenza pneumonia on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1907, at Princess Royal, Western Australia<sup>C3-8</sup>. She was buried on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1907, at the Norseman Cemetery<sup>C3-9</sup>, section 3, grave number 12. Her headstone states that she was 27 years of age but this is incorrect, she was 30 years of age. Alice Maud Jennings's death was recorded in the *Kalgoorlie Miner*<sup>C3-10</sup> as follows;

Tuesday 12 November 1907

DEATHS. FLANNAGAN. — Sunday, 10th November, 1907. at Princess Royal, Norseman, the beloved wife of Richard Flannagan, daughter of Mrs. E. A. Jennings, late of South Australia and sister of Walter Jennings (Fremantle) and Edgar Jennings (Boulder), suddenly, of pneumonia.

Saturday 16 November 1907

NORSEMAN.

The death of Mrs. Flanagan, wife of a well-known business man at Princess Royal, on Sunday has caused general regret. The deceased lady had for some weeks been suffering from an attack of influenza, but pneumonia and pleurisy setting in, the most careful medical and nursing attention was unavailing. Mrs. Flanagan was only 30 years of age, and leaves one child. The funeral on Monday morning was largely attended. The remains were interred in the Anglican division of the Norseman cemetery.

Around 1912 Arthur Richard Flanagan moved back to Fremantle. He was then employed as an attendant at the Hospital for the Insane, Claremont. He married Margaret McKenna on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 1920, at the Roman Catholic Church, West Perth, Western Australia<sup>C3-20</sup>. They moved into a house at 1 John Street, Claremont, Western Australia and lived there for most of the rest of their lives. After leaving 1 John Street sometime after 1968, Arthur Richard Flanagan lived out his life at The Little Sisters of the Poor, Home for the Aged, Glendalough, Western Australia. He died on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, 1980. He was 98 years and 11 months<sup>C3-24</sup>. His death was recorded in *The West Australian* on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1980<sup>C3-25</sup>, as follows;

Flanagan (Arthur Richard). Passed away peacefully on September 2nd, Arthur Richard of Glendalough Homes, Glendalough, loved husband of Maggie (dec), loved father and father-in-law of Charles (dec) and Ethel. Rest in Peace.

Flanagan (Arthur Richard). Loved uncle of Ted, Gwenda and Luke (Br Flanagan C.B.C. Collie).

There were two other reports of the death of Arthur Richard Flanagan in *The West Australian*. These were;

Flanagan (Dick). A tribute in memory of our cousin, a gentle man. God Bless. Betty and Barney Flanagan.

Flanagan (Dick). Passed away September 2<sup>nd</sup> in his 99th year, loved brother of Jack (dec) and brother-in-law of Susan (dec), loved uncle of Nell (dec), Cecelia, Joan, Jack, Mary (dec), Teresa (dec), Patricia, William (Fr Flanagan, South Australia) and greatuncle of their 31 children. Rest in Peace.

Arthur Richard Flanagan was buried on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1980. The funeral notice stated;

Flanagan. Requiem Mass for the Repose of the Soul of the late Mr Arthur Richard (Dick) Flanagan of Glendalough, formerly of John Street, Claremont and Rottnest Island will be celebrated in the Chapel of The Little Sisters of the Poor, Rawlins Street, Glendalough, commencing at 10.30 o'clock, next Tuesday morning. The cortege will leave the Chapel at the conclusion of Mass and arrive at the Catholic Cemetery Karrakatta at 11.30 a.m. No flowers by request. Donations in lieu to The Little Sisters of the Poor, Glendalough.

Arthur Richard Flanagan was buried with his father in the Roman Catholic portion of Karrakatta Cemetery. Their grave site is section BA number 478<sup>C3-23</sup>. Arthur Richard Flanagan was the last surviving child of William Joseph Flanagan and Eleanor Mary Moran.

6. Anna Helena Flanagan (2) was born on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July, 1883. She did not marry and died on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February, 1958. Her death was recorded in *The West Australian* on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February, 1958. It stated;

"Death.

Flanagan. 22 February, at her residence, 215 Vincent Street, North Perth. Annie, the daughter of William Joseph and Eleanor Mary Flanagan and sister of Mrs A. Davenport, Eva, Nellie, William (dec), Luke (dec), Richard, John (dec), Edwin and Edgar."

Anna Helena Flanagan was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery, section NC, grave number 0166.

7. John Joseph Flanagan was born on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, 1885. He was known all his life as John James Flanagan. He married Susanna Conolly on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October, 1908. John and Susan had nine children. John James Flanagan died on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November, 1953. He was living at 51 Bishopgate Street, Carlisle, Western Australia, at the time of his death. His death was recorded in *The West Australian* on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 1953, as follows;

"Death.

Flanagan, November 14, 1953, at Royal Perth Hospital, John James, husband of Susan, father of Nell (Mrs Miller), Cecelia, Joan (Mrs Jasper), John, Teresa (Mrs Holland), Patricia (Mrs Pywell, Ballarat), William (St Francis Xavier's Seminary, Magill, S.A.), also Annie and Mary (both dec). Aged 68 years."

John James Flanagan was the former Post Master of Cunderdin, Western Australia. He was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery, section LA, grave number 0588.

8. Eveline Maria Flanagan was born on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March, 1888, at Rottnest Island, Western Australia. Eva Mary, as she was known, did not marry. She died at the age of 80 years on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January, 1969. Her death was recorded in *The West Australian* as follows;

"Death.

Flanagan, 29 January, Eva of Mt St Emilies, Kalamunda, formerly of 215 Vincent Street, North Perth, a daughter of William and Ellen Flanagan, sister of Dick and Nell, also William, Alice, John, Luke, Annie, Edwin and Edgar (all dec)."

Eveline Maria Flanagan was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery. Eva was buried in the same plot as her sister Annie in section NC, grave number 0166.

9. Edwin George Flanagan was born on the 18th day of January, 1890. He served as a member of the 28th and 35th Battalions of the 1ST A.I.F. during World War 1. Edwin later worked as a public servant after returning from WW1, reaching the position of Assistant Undersecretary of Mines in Western Australia. Edwin George and his wife, Mary, had two sons, Ted and Luke Flanagan. Edwin George Flanagan died on the 20<sup>th</sup> of May, 1967. His death was recorded in *The West Australian* on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of May, 1967. It stated;

"Death.

Flanagan, 20 May, at R.G.H., Hollywood, Edwin George, of 14 Downey Drive, Manning, loved husband of Mary, father of Ted and Luke, father-in-law of Gwenda, grandfather of Peter, Catherine, Bernadette, Leon and Damien. Aged 77 years."

Edwin George was buried in the Roman Catholic lawn section of Karrakatta Cemetery, section 7, grave number 0139.

10. Ellena Mary (Nellie) Flanagan was born on the 14<sup>th</sup> of January, 1892. She did not marry and worked as a teacher at Trinity School, Western Australia. She lived with her sisters at 215 Vincent Street, North Perth, and spent the last years of her life at Mount St Emilie's Home, Kalamunda, Western Australia. She was 80 years of age when she died on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September, 1972, and was also buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery. Nellie was buried in the same plot as her sisters Annie and Eva, section NC, grave number 0166.

11. The last of William Joseph and Ellen Flanagan's children was Edgar Francis Flanagan. He was born on the 21<sup>st</sup> of August, 1894. Edgar Francis also served in the defence forces during World War 1 and later worked for W.D. and H.O.Wills. He died on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of May, 1960 and his death was recorded in *The West Australian* in the following manner;

"Death.

Flanagan, on May 2, 1960, at Claremont, Edgar Francis of Cottesloe, loved husband of Florence and fond father of Frances (Mrs C. Caporn) and Gerald and grandfather of Jennifer, Rosalyn and Alison."

Like most of his brothers and sisters, Edgar Francis Flanagan was buried in the Roman Catholic section of Karrakatta Cemetery, section ZD, Grave Number 0313.

## 5. James Michael Flanagan

James Michael Flanagan was the first of Richard and Ellen's children to be born in Australia. He was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April, 1859, in Perth, Western Australia. He was recorded in *The Cyclopedia of Western Australia* in 1913, as follows;

"James Michael Flanagan, J.P.

'Fern Hill', Kojonup, is a son of the late Mr Richard Flanagan, of Ireland, who was sent to Western Australia by the Imperial Government in 1856 in charge of a band of convicts. He was born on April 15, 1859, and received his scholastic training at the Roman Catholic School in the city. Completing his studies at the age of fourteen he went to the Victoria Plains, near New Norcia, in order to learn sheep-farming, being identified with the 'Walebing' and 'Berkshire Valley' Stations for nearly three years. He then returned to Perth and entered the service of Sir John Forrest, with whom he remained for sometime, subsequently filling various positions. From Coach driving he entered the police force at Albany, and resigned from the latter service to engage in hotel keeping at Kojonup for three years. Selling out, Mr Flanagan returned to the southern seaport and took over the lease of the Weld Arms Hotel, which he conducted until the discovery of the Dundas goldfield, when he became one of the pioneers to the Norseman district. He spent some considerable time in prospecting and pegged out the St Agnes Mine, which afterwards was floated by a London syndicate, and was also one of the prospectors of the Princess Royal, from which a large quantity of ore has been taken. While in this district Mr Flanagan took a keen interest in its advancement, and was one of the founders of the Norseman Progress Association. He was also responsible for the establishment of the first newspaper in the Norseman, and played a leading part in the founding of the first hospital. One of his early business ventures was made in connection with the Norseman Brewing Company, but eventually, he relinquished all his interests in the goldfields, and coming to Kojonup selected 4,000 acres of land, upon which he built a homestead and commenced farming operations. He has since disposed of 3,000 acres, and on the remaining portion continues the various industries connected with mixed farming, with very satisfactory results. Since his advent to the district he has taken a prominent part in all public affairs, and started the movement for the establishment of the agricultural society in the neighbourhood, acting as secretary for a lengthy period, as well as filling the office of president at a later date. He holds a Commission of Justice of the Peace, and for many years was member of the local roads board. In 1886 Mr Flanagan married Elizabeth, daughter of the late Mr Edward Treasure, of Martiupp, and has six sons and two daughters."

James Michael Flanagan married Annorah Elizabeth Treasure on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June, 1886, at the Roman Catholic Church, Albany, Western Australia. They had eleven children and these were Edward Richard Flanagan, William Elwenty Flanagan, James Patrick Joseph Flanagan, Elwenty Luke Flanagan, Elizabeth May Josephine Flanagan, John Jerome Flanagan, Cecil George Leo Flanagan, May Matilda Agnes Flanagan, Frederick Levi Flanagan, Eva Mary Flanagan and Francis Flanagan. All of these children reached adulthood except for Elizabeth May Josephine Flanagan, who died aged 3 years in 1899, and John Jerome Treasure Flanagan who also died in 1899, as an infant.

James Michael Flanagan died at Kojonup on the 26<sup>th</sup> of July, 1923. His death was recorded in the *Western Mail* (Perth) on Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August 1923, as follows;

FLANAGAN - On July 23 July, suddenly, at his residence, Kojonup, James Michael, dearly-beloved husband of Elizabeth Flanagan, and loving father of Teddy, Willie, Jim, Elwenty, Cecil, May, Fred., and Eve; aged 64 years. Sadly missed. May he rest in peace.

6. Ellen Flanagan

Ellen Flanagan was born in Perth in February, 1862 and died during that year.

7. Frances Flanagan

Frances Flanagan was a twin of Ellen Flanagan. Frances Flanagan died on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May, 1862, in Perth, Western Australia.



## Richard Flanagan and Ellen Flanagan

### Richard Flanagan

- b. circa 1813, Carrick on Shannon, Parish Kiltoghert, County Leitrim, Ireland (Carrick on Shannon lies partly in County Leitrim and partly in County Roscommon)
- d. 5 December 1881, Perth, WA, Australia
- bur. Cemetery Hill, East Perth Cemetery, WA, Australia

### Ellen Flanagan

- b. circa 1820
- d. 5 January 1891, Albany, WA, Australia
- bur. January 1891, Albany, WA, Australia
- 1. Luke Flanagan
  - b. circa 1948
  - m. Ann Boland, 1868, VIC, Australia
    - b. circa 1942, Limerick, Ireland
    - d. 25 February 1898, Tatura, VIC, Australia
    - bur. February 1898, Tatura, VIC, Australia
  - d. 13 April 1905, Tatura, VIC, Australia
  - bur. April 1905, Tatura, VIC, Australia
- 2. John Emmett Flanagan
  - b. 28 Jun 1851, Ferespere, India
  - m. Margaret Jane Campbell, 28 February 1875, Albany, WA, Australia
    - b.
    - d. 1899, Fremantle, WA, Australia
    - bur.
  - d. 21 June 1919, Cootamundra, NSW, Australia
  - bur. 23 June 1919, Cootamundra, NSW, Australia, RC section
- 3. Richard Charles Flanagan
  - b. 1853, Manchester, England
  - m. Mary Ann Thomas, 1875, Perth, WA, Australia
    - b. 1854
    - d. 28 January 1947, Victoria Park, WA, Australia
    - bur. January 1947, Karrakatta, WA, Australia, RC Section DA, Grave Number 0179
  - d. 24 January 1924, Midland Junction, WA, Australia
  - bur. 25 January 1924, Karrakatta, WA, Australia, RC Section DA, Grave Number 0179
- 4. William Joseph Flanagan
  - b. 8 September 1855, Prince Town, Lidford, Devon, England
  - m1. Eleanor Mary (Ellen) Moran, 20 August 1873, RC Cathedral Perth, WA, Australia
    - b. 1855
    - d. 1 June 1895, Henderson Street, Fremantle, WA, Australia
    - bur. Skinner Street Cemetery, Fremantle, WA, Australia. Headstone moved to the Heritage Trail, Fremantle Cemetery, site number 0112
  - m2. Florence Laura Fry, 15 October 1913, Fremantle, WA, Australia
    - b.
    - d.
    - bur.
  - d. 10 October 1928, 61 Davies Road, Fremantle, WA, Australia
  - bur. 12 October 1928 at RC section of Karrakatta Cemetery, WA, Australia, Section BA, Grave Number 0478
- 5. James Michard Flanagan
  - b. 15 April 1859, Perth, WA, Australia
  - m. Anorah Elizabeth Treasure, 21 June 1886, Albany, WA, Australia
    - b. 28 August 1866
    - d. 6 May 1926
    - bur. May 1926, Kojonup Cemetery, WA, Australia
  - d. 26 July 1923, Kojonup, WA, Australia
  - bur. July 1923, Kojonup Cemetery, WA, Australia
- 6. Ellen Flanagan
  - b. 1862, Perth, WA, Australia
  - d. 1862, Perth, WA, Australia
  - bur.
- 7. Frances (Fanny) Flanagan
  - b. 1862, Perth, WA, Australia
  - d. 1862, Perth, WA, Australia
  - bur.

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