

SISTER PEGGY BOWEN

HONOURING YOUR 90TH BIRTHDAY - 19 JANUARY 2015

FROM ALL MEMBERS OF ILLAWARRA DAYLIGHT CHAPTER

ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Dear Sister Peggy and all gathered with you today - I am delighted to be able to speak on behalf of our Chapter as their present Worthy Matron and I am sure, many members would have liked to be with you to join in your celebration.

You joined our beloved Order on 10 May 1945 being initiated into Dulwich Hill Chapter at 20 years of age and just before your 20th wedding on ~~22~~ December 1945. On 16 December 1953 you affiliated with Kogarah St George Chapter along with your Mother and two of your Sisters Noreen and Nancy. In 1955 your other sister Rhonda joined after she had served as Worthy Matron of Dulwich Hill. You were Worthy Matron of Kogarah St George Chapter in 1966 and you were my very first visitor when I had my first baby Melanie at St George Hospital only 2 days after your Installation. I was also at that Installation! That was 48 years ago and we have been very close members ever since. When Kogarah St George became dormant, you along with many of our sisters became members of Illawarra Daylight Chapter on 13 November 2004. You have rarely missed a meeting and until 2 years ago, you were still installed in the position of the yellow Ray of Ruth. When I asked you to be the green Ray of Martha, a position you had not done you accepted the challenge. How I remember your face when you delivered the Initiation Ritual word perfect - you were very proud of yourself and so was I. Ritual learned well remained with you always and over the years you have filled the office of every Star Point plus all the progressive offices leading up to Worthy Matron. We of the Order have been very grateful for the many years of dedication you have given. We congratulate you on your very special Birthday and we want you to know you are loved by us all. We love having you still attend our meetings and thank your family for transporting you each month.

MANY HAPPY RETURNS SISTER PEGGY BOWEN.