

Bendigo Cemetery



Notes for the family grave for Thomas Joseph Oakley #3211 in section F5  
Thomas commenced business as an undertaker when he arrived in Bendigo in 1853.

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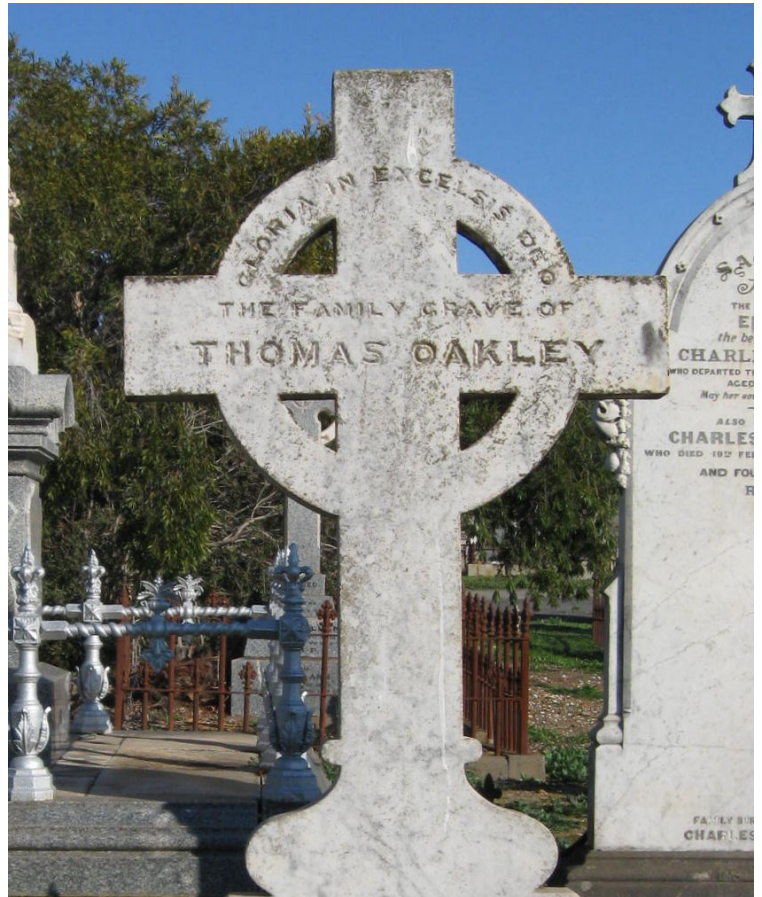
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ABSOLVE  
We beseech Thee O Lord  
The souls of Thy servants here  
departed  
That being dead to sin  
They may rejoice with Thee in  
Eternity  
Through Jesus Christ Thy Son  
Amen



**Gloria in excelsis Deo**  
The Family Grave of  
THOMAS OAKLEY

*meaning*  
(Latin for "Glory to God in the  
highest")



The following people were buried in this grave #3211 Sect F5 as per cemetery records.

3211 OAKLEY Octavia Augusta 9/02/1869 6 mth  
3994 OAKLEY Baby 13/09/1871 S/born  
8034 OAKLEY Caroline Georgina 19/06/1881 18y 6m  
9727 OAKLEY Thomas Joseph 16/12/1885 18/12/1885 76 yrs  
9758 OAKLEY Jane 8/01/1886 11/01/1886 56 yrs  
12357 WHITTAKER Eleanor Kate 8/09/1892 32 yrs  
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*Thomas Oakley*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Wed 16 Dec 1885 Page 2**

Family Notices

DEATH.

On the 16th instant, at his residence, Bridge Street, after a long and painful illness, borne with Christian fortitude and resignation, Thomas Oakley. An old Bendigonian of 33 years.

R.I.P.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Wed 16 Dec 1885 Page 2****DEATH OF MR THOMAS OAKLEY.**

We regret to record the death of Mr Thomas Oakley, undertaker, of Bridge Street, which sad event took place at his residence at an early hour this morning. The deceased was a resident of Bendigo of thirty three years standing. He had been ailing for some time, but a fortnight ago his complaint became aggravated, and he died as above stated. The deceased's age was about 77.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Thu 17 Dec 1885 Page 2****THE LATE MR THOS OAKLEY.**

In yesterday's issue we briefly referred to the death of Mr Oakley, the well-known undertaker, which took place that morning. Mr Oakley was 76 years of age, and a native of Chelsea, England. He arrived in Sydney 55 years ago, and subsequently came to Victoria.

In 1852 he came to Sandhurst, and commenced business as an undertaker, remaining here ever since. About thirteen years ago he met with an accident, and has not been properly well since then. He was a member of the first fire brigade in Sandhurst, and also of many other societies.

He was an unassuming man, a kind husband, and a good father. He leaves a widow and family of ten children, all grown up, to mourn their loss. The remains of the deceased are to be encased in three coffins, the first in deal, the second in lead, made by Mr J W Faul, and the third a handsomely polished cedar one, the work of Messrs Sayers and Skues, undertakers. The funeral will take place at the Sandhurst cemetery tomorrow afternoon.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 19 Dec 1885 Page 2****The Late Mr T Oakley**

Yesterday the remains of Mr T Oakley, undertaker, of Bridge Street, were interred in the Back Creek Cemetery. The funeral was a large one, there being, besides other vehicles, five mourning coaches, in which were seated the relatives and friends of the deceased. The ceremony took place in the Roman Catholic burial ground, the Rev Father O'Connor conducting the service. The No 1 Fire Brigade was strongly represented, the deceased having been a honorary member; whilst the sister brigades had representatives present also.

The pallbearers were the hon R Burrowes, Cr Hayes, Mr O'Hagan and Mr Couth, and the coffin-bearers Messrs Flood, Doyle, Gordon and Finn. The coffin was thickly strewn with wreaths and bouquets of flowers, which were sent by friends.

The burial arrangements were carried out by Mr Sayer in a most satisfactory and efficient manner. The fire bell tolled at short intervals during the procession.

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and

*Jane Oakley*

**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 9 Jan 1886 Page 2**

Family Notices

DEATH

On the 8th instant, at her residence, Bridge street, Jane Oakley, the beloved wife of the late Thomas Oakley, in her 57th year, after a short illness, borne with Christian fortitude and resignation.

R.I.P.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Sat 9 Jan 1886 Page 2**

Death of Mrs Oakley.

It will be learned with regret that Mrs Thomas Oakley, whose husband died on the 16th of last month, died yesterday at her late residence in Bridge Street after a short illness. She thus scarcely survived her husband a month. She leaves ten children all grown up, to mourn their loss.

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**Bendigo Advertiser (Vic. : 1855 - 1918) Fri 19 Mar 1886 Page 2**

Letters of Administration

The same counsel, who in this instance was instructed by Messrs Crabbs and Kirby, obtained administration *cum testamento annexo* to the estate of Thomas Joseph Oakley, undertaker, the application being made on behalf of William Henry Oakley, the eldest son of the deceased. He left property valued at £1,083. By the will Mrs Oakley was appointed executrix, but she omitted to apply for probate.

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In this estate Dr Quick asked that the bond of the London Guarantee and Accident Company Limited, should be taken in lieu of that of private Individuals, and Mr Justice Molesworth acceded to the request after enquiring how many of these companies there were.

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