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Tasmania Police Force

Regd. # ?

Rank: Senior Constable

Stations: ?

Service: From ? ? about 1904 to ? ?
1931 = 35 years Service

Awards: Imperial Service Medal – granted
29 July 1930

Born: ?

Died on: Friday 16 January 1942

Location of event: his home, Government
House grounds, Tasmania

Cause: ?

Age: 82

Funeral date: Saturday 17 January 1942

Funeral location: ? , Hobart, Tasmania

Buried at: Cremated

Memorial at: ?

[alert_yellow]**THOMAS** is NOT mentioned on the Police Wall of Remembrance[/alert_yellow] ***NEED MORE INFO**

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FURTHER INFORMATION IS NEEDED ABOUT THIS PERSON, THEIR LIFE, THEIR CAREER AND THEIR DEATH.

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The Mercury (Hobart, Tasmania) **Monday 19 January 1942** p
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Senior Constable Males

Senior Constable Thomas Males, whose death took place at his residence, **Government House grounds**, on Friday, was privately cremated at Hobart on Saturday. The mourners were his two sons, Messrs. **George** and **Thomas Males**. The **Rev. J. A. Cloudsdale** officiated at the service.

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Funerals

SENIOR-CONSTABLE T. MALES

The death took place at his **home** in **Government House grounds** on Friday of **Senior-Constable Thomas Males**, at the age of **82**.

Constable Males spent the **whole of the period of his service** in the **police force** in **Hobart** and **in the vicinity of Government House**. The **King's Medal**, awarded to members of the police force who have served for 25 years with good conduct, was presented to Constable Males prior to his retirement by a **former Governor, the late Sir James O'Grady**.

When **stationed** in the **Queen's Domain** and at **Government House**, **Senior-Constable Males** chief duties were at **Government House** as **orderly to the Governor**. He performed duty in close touch with members of the **Royal Family** when they visited the state, several **Governors-General** and **Governors**, and leading members of the **Commonwealth judiciary**, and was always punctilious in observance of his duties. Senior-Constable **Males**, a member of the **old territorial police**, entered the service **prior to** the advent of **centralisation**. When past the age for retirement, he was appointed to **special duty**, thus extending his service. He was for many years **escort constable** for prisoners on the main line. On his retirement after **35 years**, members of the police force throughout the state subscribed to a testimonial. The **Commissioner of Police (Mr. Oakes)**, then **superintendent**, paid tribute to **Senior Constable Males** faithful service.

Private cremation took place at **Hobart** yesterday.

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OBITUARY

SENIOR CONSTABLE MALES

Long Service In Hobart

Senior Constable Thomas Males, whose death at the age of **82** took place at his residence, Government House grounds, in **Hobart** yesterday, spent the whole of his period of service in the police force in Hobart, and in the vicinity of Government House. Prior to his **retirement in 1931**, he was presented by a former Governor the late Sir James O'Grady with the King's Medal, awarded to members of the police force who have served for 25 years with good conduct.

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A member of the old territorial police, Senior Constable Males entered the service prior to the advent of centralisation, and when past the age for retirement was appointed to special duty which extended his service. He was for many years **escort constable** for prisoners on the **Main Line railway**, and during one trip was Injured in a railway accident.

On his retirement, **after 35 years**, members of the police force throughout the State subscribed to a testimonial. The Commissioner of Police (Mr. Oakes), then superintendent, paid tribute to Senior Constable Males faithful service, on his retirement, and said he was held in the highest respect by the department.

Private cremation will take place tomorrow.

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John Lindsay MARSH

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New South Wales Police Force

Regd. # ?

Rank: Constable 1st Class

Stations: ?, Glenn Innes (5 – 6 years), Gloucester (10 months) – death

Service: From 8 January 1930 to 9 November 1943 = 13+ years Service

Awards: ?

Born: ? ? 1909

Died on: Monday 9 November 1942 about
2pm

Event location: southern end of Church
St, Gloucester

Death location: at MVA scene

Cause: Motor Vehicle Accident, Police
bike & sidecar – Rider

Age: 33

Funeral date: Wednesday 11 November
1942 @ 2pm

Funeral location: St James Church of
England, Maclean

Buried : Maclean General (Anglican).

Cameron Street, Maclean.

Anglican, Section C, Row CC, Lot 13

GPS: -29.466111, 153.201944

Memorial at:



Touch plate at National Police Wall of Remembrance, Canberra



John Lindsay MARSH
Maclean General (Anglican). Cameron Street,
Maclean.

[alert_green]JOHN is included in the NSW Police Honour Roll.[/alert_green]

On **9 November, 1942** Constable Marsh was riding a police motor cycle outfit in Church Street, Gloucester. The cycle collided with a post, overturned and threw the constable to the roadway. As a result Constable Marsh suffered a fractured skull and despite being taken to hospital, died the same day.

The constable was born in **1909** and joined the New South Wales Police Force on **8 January, 1930**. At the time of his death he was stationed at Gloucester.

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“SHOCKING ACCIDENT. CONSTABLE MARSH KILLED.

A distressing fatality occurred in the **southern end of Church Street, Gloucester**, on Monday afternoon, when Constable John Lindsay Marsh was thrown from his motor cycle and received severe head injuries from which he died within a few minutes. The occurrence happened about 2 p.m., just at a small culvert almost in front of the home of Mrs. J. West, Sen. The constable left town and was on his way to Ward's River on official duty. A few minutes before he was at the motor garage of Mr. A. Grahame and in excellent spirits. Mr. Jack West, who saw the happening from his home, said Mr. Marsh seemed to be doing something to the gears of the cycle. It suddenly veered to the left-hand side of the road way and the wheel of the sidecar struck the guide post of the culvert. The rider was thrown into the air and in falling his head appeared to come in contact with the hard road. The machine overturned, also, and skidded partly under the injured man. Constable Marsh was unconscious when help arrived, within a short space of time, but passed away without regaining consciousness, some fifteen or twenty minutes later. In addition to his parents, widow and son, the deceased is survived by four sisters: Mrs. Boon and Mrs. Moses, of Kogarah; Mrs. William S. Friar, 19 Boyce Street, Taree; and Mrs. Farlow, of Maclean.”

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NSWBDM

Born – 5214/1909 Father = Walter Mother = Barbara
A MacLean District

Married 1932 to Sheila Daphne MARSH nee THOMAS in Narrabri,
NSW – born 1912

Death – 26323/1942 Father = Walter Mother = Barbara Ann

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Daily Examiner (Grafton, NSW : 1915 – 1954), **Wednesday 11
November 1942**, page 2

CONSTABLE KILLED

Lower River Native To Be Given Police Funeral AT MACLEAN TO- DAY.

First-class Constable John Lindsay Marsh, who was killed while on duty at Gloucester on Monday afternoon, will be accorded a police funeral at Maclean this afternoon.

This will be the first police funeral held in the Grafton district for many years. Fifteen police in charge of Inspector B. H. Baxter, of Grafton, will attend the funeral.

Constable Marsh, who was a native of the Lower Clarence, had been stationed at Gloucester for nearly a year. On Monday afternoon he was riding a motor cycle along the main road on the outskirts of the town when the machine skidded on some rough road and crashed into a post, throwing Constable Marsh heavily to the ground. He received severe head injuries from which he died about half an hour later before he could be removed to hospital.

The body was taken to Taree and put on the train for Grafton. It was taken from Grafton to Maclean yesterday afternoon for the funeral at Maclean at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Constable Marsh, whose parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marsh, of Palmer's Island, are well-known residents of the Lower River, was born at Maclean 33 years ago, and joined the New South

Wales police force about 13 years ago. He was stationed at places in the north-west of the State and at Glen Innes, and went to Gloucester about a year ago. During the time that he was stationed at Gloucester he proved a most efficient officer and won the esteem and affection of a very large circle of friends, who were deeply grieved to learn of his tragic death.

As Constable Marsh had been killed on duty it has been decided that he be given a police funeral, and Inspector Baxter, whose district the funeral will take place, has been instructed to arrange for this. Police from Grafton, South Grafton, Ulmarra, Maclean, Brushgrove, Lawrence; and Harwood Island, will be in Maclean for the funeral this afternoon. They will march ahead of the hearse, and at the cemetery will form a guard of honor. Some of them will also act as pall-bearers.

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Gloucester Advocate (NSW : 1905 – 1954), **Tuesday 10 November 1942**, page 2

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Constable Marsh was unconscious when help arrived, within a short space of time, but passed away with out regaining consciousness some fifteen or twenty minutes later. The Ambulance, from Taree, was sent for immediately after the happening and on its arrival the body was conveyed from Mrs. West's residence to Howard's funeral parlour.

An inquest into the cause of the accident and death will be held.

Constable Marsh had been stationed in Gloucester for the past eleven months. He succeeded Constable Jack Casey when this officer was transferred to Glen Innes. He was an extremely likeable officer and had gained the goodwill of all sections of the community. He was of a happy disposition and displayed same in the course of his duty, and in the spending of his leisure hours.- To us he seemed the type that might genuinely be termed a good sport, and gave evidence of the trait in a man's make-up that makes for this quality on a number of occasions, both in and out of Court.

During the past few months, whenever Constable Marsh had an hour or two away from the more serious duties of his job, he spent same in the garden and grounds at the Police Station. The trim and well-kept appearance there tell more plainly than

words of his gardening ability and the. pride and pleasure shown in' its doing.

Genuine regret will be general at this popular officer's sad and sudden passing.

Mr. W. T. Howard . took the body to Taree by, hearse, last evening to be conveyed, later to Maclean, where Constable Marsh's parents live.

Deceased will be accorded a Police funeral.

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