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COLLECTIONS

KRADALS Dolls

BOYUP BROOK





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KRADALS DOLLS





Ede Tuckett was born in 1927 and moved to Chowerup, in the Shire of Boyup Brook at a young age. She lived there for most of her life. For about 20 years, Ede and her husband, John, ran the telephone exchange. She first started collecting dolls in 1982, with the display ultimately growing to over 700.

During school holidays she would take her Grandchildren to many parts of the south west visiting doll shows - always coming home with something new. Ede had a special bond with her 'grandees' and spent hours with them in her home - setting dolls up, making dresses or putting dolls together.

Many people came to see the collection at her home at Chowerup.

The collection was originally named KRADELS which was a composite of the first initial of her then grand daughters' names and her own, being Kelly; Renee; Amanda; Deanne; Linda; Ede; and Sandra, however with the advent of another grand daughter she later changed it to KRADALS which is a composite of the first initial of just her grand daughters' names:

Kelly
Renee
Amanda
Deanne
Anne(2nd name of Chenae)
Linda
Sandra





In 2005, Ede moved to Perth and was unable to take her treasured family of dolls with her. She generously donated some of the collection to the Tourism Association of Boyup Brook, after the family had first choice.

She wanted people to continue to enjoy her legacy for years to come.