

NANCY GRACE AUGUSTA WAKE

Personal Information.

Nancy Grace Augusta Wake (the 'White Mouse') was born on August 30th 1912 and died on August 7th 2011. She was born in Wellington and died in London at age 98. Nancy was a 'kiwi' since she was born in New Zealand but when she was two she moved to Australia. Her leadership category was humanitarian and event/achievement leader.



This is a picture of Nancy Wake in 2004.

Who did she lead and why?

Nancy Wake lead over 7000 French Resistance fighters known as Maquis in battles against the Nazis in Northern Avenue before D-Day. She was on her way to interview Adolph Hitler in Vienna when she witnessed Jewish people chained to a wheel being whipped by Nazis. Ever since then she wanted to get rid of the evil she had seen.



This is a picture of Nancy Wake during the war.

What did she lead and how?

Nancy Wake lead the French Resistance for the upcoming battle of D-Day. It wasn't easy at the start for her to lead the French Resistance because it was uneasy for the men to listen to a women, but eventually she gained their trust.

Where and when did she lead?

Nancy Wake lead in France but she also went to Britain for training at the Ministry of Defence Camp. In 1940 Germany attacked France, Nancy was living there at the time. Then she went on to work with the French resistance.

Famous quotes.

- 'It is a lot easier for a women to travel all over France. A women could get out of a lot of trouble that men can't.'
- 'I don't see why women have to wave a proud goodbye to the men and knit them balaclavas.'
- 'Freedom is the only thing worth living for. While I was doing that work, I used to think it didn't matter if I died, because without freedom there was no point in living.'



These are some of Nancy Wakes medals that she received after war. This includes her George Medal and her Medal Of Freedom.

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