

Another AM for family Stone

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JOSEPHINE Stone has been made an AM, the third in her family to receive an Order of Australia award.

Husband **Shane Stone**, a former chief minister of the Northern Territory, was made a Companion of the Order of Australia (CH) last year.

Mother-in-law **Pam Stone**, of Albury, received a medal of the order (OAM) several years ago for services to Wodonga, including being the first woman mayor in 1985.

Josephine Stone, 48, a practising lawyer in Darwin, is the daughter of **Anna Novak**, of Wagga, and her late husband, **Miroslav**.

She has two children — **Madeleine** 11, and **Jack**, 17.

Her parents came to Australia as refugees from the chaos of post-war Europe.

Miroslav Novak fought with the partisans in Yugoslavia.

He arrived at the **Bonegilla** migrant camp, where he met and married **Anna**, who had fled Croatia with her family and lived in refugee camps in Europe.

The youngest of five children, **Josephine** attended **Wagga** schools and studied law at the **Australian National University**, marrying fellow law student **Shane** in 1977.

They studied at **Melbourne University**, moving to the Northern Territory in 1986, first to **Alice Springs** and then to **Darwin**.