

In Memory Of

Mike Sharman

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Mike died on 8th November 2012.

A memorial service was held at the Downs Crematorium on Tuesday 20th November 2012 at 12 noon, which was very well attended.

Mike joined the Haywards Heath & District Probus Club in 1991 and was President in 2009/10.

He recorded his interests as Photography, Fishing, Sailing, Gardening, and of course the splendid Model Railway in his Garden.

Taken in Lyon on a Probus riverboat holiday

After leaving school, Mike did his National Service in the Army which took him to Singapore and Malaya. Unfortunately, due to a skin infection, he left the Army for recovery and then 'civvy street' beckoned. His career took him to work in the finance industry, Local Government, and then the Oil and Pipeline industry where he spent some 28 years.

As is our custom, the Club made a donation to St Peter & St James in memory of Mike.

Martin Pollins wrote:

I first met Mike when we were at technical school together in Hanover Terrace Brighton between 1950 and 1955. After we picked up our GCE certificates, we did not meet again for 55 years.

When I attended my first lunch in 2010 as a new member of the Haywards Heath & District Probus Club, it came as a complete surprise when Mike walked over as I had no idea that he was a member. He welcomed me with a firm handshake and that inimitable smile, I cannot remember whether he was the Club President or the Immediate Past President at the time. It was a great pleasure to resume our friendship.

I was able to introduce some of Mike's old school friends to him and I am sure he enjoyed their visit and having the opportunity to exchange stories of our post-school lives.

Maureen, Mike's wife, does sterling work keeping in touch with widows of members, organising the Ladies Informal Luncheon meetings and running the raffle at the Macmillan's Coffee morning.

With Mike's passing, the Club lost a great and respected member, and he is sorely missed.

Written by Martin Pollins