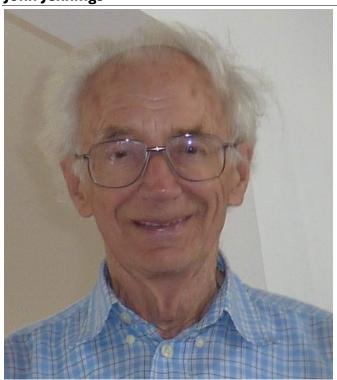


## John Jennings



ohn Jennings was born in the East End of London on 21<sup>st</sup> November 1929. Sadly, he passed away in his 93<sup>rd</sup> year on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2022.

He met his wife Jennifer in Southampton, where she was working as a Teacher. Their marriage produced four sons who survive him (Adrian, Christopher, Julian and Martin) and six grandchildren.

After qualifying as a chartered accountant, John spent most of his working life in 'industry' working at Thomas Tilling (part of BTR) and Polly Peck.

John was a music lover, particularly choral music, and visited Glyndebourne many times. He sang with the Church Choir at All Saints Church, Danehill and participated in many Church activities, finding time to act as assistant Church Treasurer and sing with the Fletching Singers.

When Tony Ashby was Club Treasurer a few years ago and could not attend to his duties whilst recovering from

an operation, John stepped in and took on the Treasurer's role for Tony as a temporary measure.

Both John and Jennifer were keen gardeners and walkers – counting the Pilgrim's Walk in Spain among their achievements. In his younger and fitter days, John was a keen tennis player. Travel and family research are also featured in his list of hobbies and interests.

John and Jennifer had a property in Tenerife and visited the Canary Islands as frequently as possible, whilst a caravan enabled them to enjoy holidays in this country.

John joined Haywards Heath & District Probus Club in 2001, becoming the 'Auditor' (Accounts Examiner) from 2003 to 2010 and was President in the 2011-2012 year. He ran the Club's autumnal Opera visit to Glyndebourne for many years before Gerry Larner took on that role. He was a popular member and keen member of our Club, always cheerful, and he will be fondly remembered and sorely missed.

## The Funeral

John's funeral will take place at All Saints Church, Danehill, on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2022, at 11.00 am. The postcode for SatNav users is RH17 7EY. The Funeral Directors are Masters & Son Funeral Directors, Masters House, Lewes Road, Lindfield, West Sussex, RH16 2LE, Telephone: 01444 482107, Email: suemasters@mastersandson.com

It is understood that the Funeral Directors will be establishing charity-giving arrangements to receive personal donations in memory of John. Separately, the Club will be making a donation to the Myeloma UK charity.

This Obituary will be posted on the website of Haywards Heath & District Probus Club at: https://www.hugofox.com/community/haywards-heath-and-district-probus-club-13542/obituaries/

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