

Charles Philip Shackle 1930 - 2004

Although Philip and I have only lived in Shipton for 10 years, we have made many friends and he enjoyed living here so much, making the most of the 6 or so years of reasonably good health that he had then. So it was wonderful that so many people came to his funeral on 9th November to say farewell to a kind, gentle and humorous man, whose loss to his family is indescribable. Through your generosity £410 was sent to Douglas House in his memory.

His family moved to Oxford in 1940 and he went to Magdalen College School where he was very happy and then to the Royal Agricultural College at Cirencester, going on to become a chartered surveyor. We were married at Charlbury in August 1957 by my father, who was the vicar, and we then spent 34 years in Surrey, where Matthew and Georgina were born. Whilst Philip worked for the Royal Bank of Scotland in the City he was always a countryman at heart and we kept our links with the Cotswolds through our parents.



He had many interests especially gardening, small bore shooting, travel, crosswords and bridge. He started the Shipton Bridge Club in 1995 and only gave up organising it in May 2004. He made some wonderful tapestry pieces including a fire screen and has left 2 unfinished pieces; he did the interesting part and

left me the background!

His family meant so much to him and he loved organising family parties and holidays. He was a very proud and fond Gramps to Rachel, James, Lucy and Philippa. He always looked beyond his own life and helped with many charities such as Cheam Hospice and Riding for the Disabled and he was a bereavement counsellor.

He was interested in good food and loved driving out for lunch, which is such a pleasure, especially the views across Shipton coming down from Chipping Norton and even better 'Our View' down Swinbrook Road. He has left us with so many happy memories.

Janet Shackle

LOST in Milton High Street, between the Quart Pot and Library, at the end of October, a small red notebook – personal jottings, quotations etc. – sentimental value.
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