

Malcolm James Hodges

1927 - 2007

Malcolm Hodges resident of Wychwood Close, Milton under Wychwood died on March 20th this year.

Malcolm was born in Bromley, Kent. Growing up as an only child he was very athletic as a boy and in later years was a good footballer and cricketer.

When he was 18, he joined the Army and was stationed at Brize Norton in the Airborne Forces. During his time there he met his wife Iris on a night out in Witney. Iris was working as a Land Girl and was stationed at Cokethorpe House. After they were married they lived with Malcolm's parents in Bromley where their son David was born.

Having left the Army, Malcolm worked for the London Electricity Board until he retired in 1987. In 1974, he and Iris moved from Bromley to Milton-under-Wychwood where they bought their son David's house. Malcolm carried on working in London and travelled from



there to Milton-under-Wychwood at weekends.

On his retirement he came to live permanently in Milton. Although a city person he enjoyed the rural life and frequented the New Inn, Westcote where he enjoyed drinking with his friends. Malcolm loved watching sport on television, especially

horse racing and had great knowledge of racing form.

He became ill during the summer of 2006 and towards the end of his life received excellent care and support from Katharine House Hospice at Adderbury, where he died.

His funeral took place at Banbury Crematorium and the service was conducted by Rev. Anne Hartley and attended by family and friends. A collection was made in aid of Katharine House Hospice.

David Hodges

The Role of the Governors

The Wychwood (C.E.) Primary School

The Board of Governors at Wychwood (C.E.) Primary School consists of 15 dedicated people drawn from all walks of life and with one common objective - to ensure that our children receive the best possible education. Every child matters and we will do everything possible to offer each one a really good learning experience. We have responsibility for overseeing the curriculum, finances, staffing, facilities, etc. within the school

but try at all times to maintain a positive relationship with the professionals, i.e. Mr. Spence and his diligent band of teaching and non-teaching staff. The full Board of Governors meets at least once per term but we have sub-committees which report back to these meetings and each Governor visits the school on a regular basis to meet the staff and children.

Bill McDougall