In Memoriam

This section, In Memoriam, brings to the attention of Fellows and Collegiate Members the deaths of colleagues and friends. Obituaries – intended to record and pay tribute to the life and work of Fellows and Collegiate Members whose deaths have been reported in In Memoriam – can be found on the College website: http://www.rcpe.ac.uk/fellows_&_members/obituaries/index.php.

Fellows and Collegiate Members are warmly invited to provide the Obituaries Editor (Dr Derek Doyle) with information that will enable him to write or commission obituaries (debedoyle@surefish.co.uk).

Dr Norman Alister Lamberty FRCP Edin
Specialty: Genito–Urinary Medicine
b: 21.07.1912; d: 12.08.2006
MB Edin 1939; MRCP 1951; Fellowship 1998

Dr Russell A Palmer FRCP Edin
Specialty: General/Internal Medicine
BA Columbia 1926; MD McGill 1931; MRCPE 1946; FRCP Can 1947; FACP 1948 (Master 1975); Fellowship 1956

Sister Mary Gabriel O’Mahoney, MBE, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Chest Medicine and Palliative Care
b: 21.05.1921; d: 26.08.2006
MB Dublin 1946; MRCPE 1958; FACC PR 1956; FHKCP 1996; FHKCP & FHKAM 1996; Fellowship 1972

Dr Robert Sibbald Walker, TQ, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Diabetes/Endocrinology
b: 01.05.1923; d: 29.04.2006
MB Lond 1945; MD Lond 1949; MRCPE Edin 1949; FRCPs Glasg; Fellowship 1972

Dr Nyun Tin, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Geriatric Medicine
b: 18.05.1937; d: 18.04.2006
MB Yangon 1959; MRCPE Edin 1966; MRCPE Glasg 1967; FRCP Lond; Fellowship 1980

Professor David Cumming Simpson, MBE, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Medical Physics and Bio-Engineering
b: 24.07.1920; d: 15.05.206
BSc Edin 1949; PhD Edin 1952; FRSE 1967; Fellowship 1977

Dr Constance Catherine Forsyth, FRCP Edin
Specialty Paediatrics/Community Child Health
b: 25.07.1923; d: 14.04.2006
MB Edin 1945; MRCPE Edin 1947; MD Edin 1950; FRCP Lond; Fellowship 1963

Dr Cecil Mary Drillien, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Paediatrics/Community Child Health
b: 27.12.1917; d: 15.4.2006
MB Bristol 1941; DCH Eng 1943; MD Bristol 1948; MRCPE Edin 1966 Child Life; Fellowship 1974

Dr Ian Cameron Brannen, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Public/Community Health/Epidemiology
b: 8.6.1924; d: 1.3.2006
MB Aberd 1947; MRCPE Edin 1954; DPH Edin 1957; BA E Anglia 1987; MFPHM 1972; Fellowship 1994

Professor Henry Gemmel Morgan, FRCP Edin
Professor Emeritus Clinical Chemistry/Chemical Pathology
BSc St Andrews 1943; MB ChB St Andrews 1946; MRCPE 1952; FRCP&S Glasg 1968; FRCPath. 1970; FRSE 1971; Fellowship 1962

Dr Hong Yuen Lo, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Gastroenterology
b: 08.10.1951; d: 01.10.2006
MB Hong Kong 1976; FHKCP 1987; FHKAM 1993; Fellowship 1994

Professor Arthur Hamilton Crisp, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Psychiatry
b: 17.06.1930; d: 13.10.2006

Oswald Taylor Brown, OBE, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Geriatric Medicine
b: 11.10.1916; d: 26.3.2006
MB ChB Glasgow 1939; MRCPE 1962; FRCP&S Glasg 1964, Fellowship 1969

Patrick Wyattville Hannay, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Dermatology
b: 15.11.1914; d: 02.09.2006
MB Edin 1937; MRCPE Edin 1948; Fellowship 1957

Mian Mohammed Siddique, FRCP Edin
Specialty: Cardiology
b: 12.05.1919; d: 4.1.2006
MB Punjab 1949; MD Punjab; MRCPE 1958; Fellowship 1982
Stanley Davidson entered medicine as a student at Cambridge in 1911. He joined the British Army when World War One broke out and was very nearly killed in action in France. After the war, he completed his medical studies at Edinburgh and graduated in 1919. He became the first academic in the country to be appointed to a medical chair when he was appointed Professor of Medicine at Aberdeen in 1930, and he was then appointed Professor of Medicine at Edinburgh in 1938.

Stanley’s achievements in research, teaching, the creation of specialist trusts and in improving poor law hospitals rightly made him one of the most outstanding twentieth century professors of medicine in the UK, and he was knighted in 1956. He will, however, be most widely remembered for his textbook, Principles and Practice of Medicine, the first medical textbook to sell over a million copies, which is known to doctors worldwide and is now in its twentieth edition.

He was Professor of Medicine in Edinburgh for 21 years and during that time he had only seven full-time junior lecturers; the oldest being Sir John McMichael, Professor of Medicine at Hammersmith Hospital in London, and the youngest was John Richmond, Professor of Medicine at Sheffield University. He and his wife had no children, and he died aged 87 in 1991.

Sir Stanley left large benefactions to Aberdeen University, Edinburgh University, and this College, but, strangely, his reluctance to spend small amounts of money perplexed many of his colleagues.

John Richmond
Retired Professor of Medicine,
Sheffield University