

# *Obituary*

## *Dave Rogers MBE*



We are sad to announce the sudden death of ROA Chairman Dave Rogers. Dave was taken ill with severe breathing difficulties and admitted to Darent Valley Hospital, Dartford, Kent on Thursday 1st March. Sadly he did not recover and passed away peacefully on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018 aged 70 years.

Dave joined the Force in 1973 and was posted to MP Marchwood near Southampton where he served as constable until 1987 during which time he was seconded as a CID Aide.

In 1987 he was due to take up post as a full time CID Officer at CID London and was already in the process of moving to his current address in Gravesend when he was struck down by a very severe heart attack, from which he only just survived. His move to Gravesend took place in October 1987 and following his recovery he took up post as a uniformed officer at Woolwich Arsenal/Woolwich Garrison where he remained until his retirement in December 2007, a career spanning 34 years.

During his long career he was very much an active member of DPF serving in numerous roles representing Southern Region first at branch level then a member of the regional committee, conference delegate then Regional Chairman. Dave also acted as 'Friend' always willing to assist colleagues in time of need. On his retirement from the Force he was awarded an MBE.

Dave joined ROA in 2008 and within a short time was elected on to the Committee becoming Vice-Chairman in 2011. He went on to become Chairman in 2013 remaining active up to his untimely death. Well known for his gentle charm and wit Dave will be sorely missed.

Dave is survived by his wife Mary and two sons Mathew and Mark.

Funeral details will be circulated when known.