

# Obituary

## Harry Norwood

It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Harry Norwood, 85yrs, on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2021. Harry was a past Chairman of the ROA.

Harry joined the Admiralty Constabulary in 1968 and began his police career at RNAD Coulport. Some years later Harry gained promotion to Sergeant which involved moving south to Woolwich. He later transferred to the Police Training School at Redhill for a while then to Medmenham where he was promoted to Inspector and transferred Bicester.

A few years later Harry was appointed SPO at Andover and eventually transferred to HM Naval Base Portsmouth from where he retired in 1996 having completed 28 years' service.

In retirement he and wife Betty led an active social life locally and loved to travel quite extensively to faraway places including Asia and Australia. They also enjoyed spending time with family and friends and always gave the best parties. Harry was renowned for playing the bag pipes and was a member of the Hampshire Fire and Rescue Pipe Band. In the past he delighted members when he played the pipes at the annual reunion gala dinners held in Edinburgh.

As members of ROA, Harry & Betty attended their first reunion in 1996 with Harry being elected to the Committee and the following year elected Chairman a position held with distinction until stepping down in 2011, the year of the association's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Thereafter he and Betty continued to support the association until a few years ago.

Betty predeceased Harry in October 2019 and is survived by sons Fraser and Stewart, daughters Lynn and Gillian along with 9 grandchildren and 1 great grandson.

Harry's funeral will be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 at 1345hrs at Porchester Crematorium, Upper Cornaway Lane, Fareham PO16 8NE.