

OBITUARIES

Ian Stuart Russell Reynolds

John Black

Orthopaedic consultant Hereford (b 1943; q Cambridge 1968), d 12 February 2011.

Ian Stuart Russell Reynolds was born into a medical dynasty. His grandfather, Russell Reynolds, himself a third generation doctor, was a pioneer radiologist, and his father Seymour Reynolds, was dean of the Charing Cross Medical School.

Ian went to school at Harrow where he excelled at sport, and played three times at Lord's cricket ground in the Eton/Harrow match. He received his medical education at Caius College Cambridge and St Thomas' Hospital Medical School.

After the West Midland senior registrar rotation in orthopaedics, he became the third consultant in Hereford, where he covered a wide range of the specialty. There are now nine consultants. His cheerful, light hearted manner concealed a good brain, and he was clinically astute and well informed, with technical skills

to match. He did not take to NHS management other than chairing the medical staff committee.

None of Ian's contemporaries at medical school would have predicted that he would develop a serious interest in gardening, but the Reynolds's house in Hereford came with a garden of two and a half acres, which he took as a challenge and filled with increasingly exotic and rare plants. His garden was included in the National Garden Scheme "Yellow Book," the standard for opening to the public.

Ian developed carcinoma of the prostate in 2004 and died peacefully at home on 12 February 2011. He is survived by his wife, Jill; his three children; and five grandchildren. His daughter Kim continues the medical tradition into a sixth generation.

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