

OBITUARIES



Robert Marshall Adam

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Consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist (b 1926; q Christ's College, Cambridge/St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, 1954; FRCOG), d 15 February 2015.



Robert ("Rob") Marshall Adam's medical career was delayed by the second world war. He was commissioned into the Royal Navy at the end of the war and completed his medical training

in 1954. He was a senior registrar in Sheffield before being appointed to a consultant post at Musgrove Park Hospital, Taunton, in 1965. It was a tough job. Rob had only one other consultant colleague. He loved his job and thrived on hard work. His sound clinical practice and enthusiastic teaching skills were well recognised. Many future specialists from overseas returned home with the membership of the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists and with enhanced skills. Rob retired in 1991, but his enthusiasm for work was such that he spent the next five years working in Australia. Outside work he spent holidays in Cornwall, where he and his family would enjoy fishing and sailing. Rob was fluent in Spanish and in retirement even taught the language to his grandchildren. He and his wife, Val, had a holiday home in Majorca. He was also a keen gardener, and his garden in Taunton was a joy. Rob leaves Val; four sons; and nine grandchildren.

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