



# OBITUARIES

## Margretta Eleanor Addis-Jones

Clive Addis-Jones

Born into a house that frequently provided hospitality to Aneurin Bevan, the local MP, and perhaps influenced by him, Margretta Eleanor Addis-Jones ("Lynne") was always anxious to practise medicine. She spent the war years being schooled at Malvern Girls' College in rural Worcestershire, away from the bombs, before proceeding to study classics at St Andrews University in Dundee, places for medical school being in short supply. On leaving St Andrews she spent a year attending a London secretarial college that provided administrative support to foreign embassies, before going to work as a laboratory technician for the Ebbw Vale Steel Works.

In 1951 she finally obtained a place in Cardiff and qualified in 1959 (having been delayed by pulmonary tuberculosis). She married Clive, a fellow medical student at Cardiff, whom she had known for more than nine years. Having followed him to Surrey in 1962 she took a position as a registrar in the progressive radiotherapy department at St Luke's Hospital, Guildford, before being obliged to change plans after becoming pregnant with son Timothy. She joined Clive in a small general practice in Guildford that, with hard work, grew to Guildford's largest, offering seven full time doctors. Lynne practised mainly from Bellfield's estate in Stoughton, but when the medical centre was set up at the newly inaugurated University of Surrey in

Guildford she also became one of their medical officers, specialising in family planning: she also provided much time to the Jarvis maternity unit, which was run by GPs from Guildford. She retired in 1992.

Lynne was a former chair of the local BMA. She was also chair of the Guildford branch of the Rotary Inner Wheel in its 70th year. She travelled extensively with Clive when he was district governor of Rotary clubs in Surrey and Sussex. She supported Rotary and its charities, particularly the Rotary Jaipur Limb project, of which Clive was founder chairman.

Lynne loved her many books and music. Attending an opera at Glyndebourne with friends was an annual event. Feisty, but always full of fun, she had many friends and was a wonderful wife, and mother to Timothy and Bryony.

### Biography

General practitioner (b 1928; q Welsh National School of Medicine, Cardiff, 1959), died from a spindle cell sarcoma on 8 March 2016.

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