

OBITUARIES



Philip Markman

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Philip Markman was born in Humansdorp, South Africa. His early education took place at the Grey School, Port Elizabeth, followed by the medical school of the University of Cape Town, from where he graduated in 1953. He did his postgraduate training in general medicine and cardiology, initially at the Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town, and he attained fellowship of the College of Physicians of South Africa in 1958.

As a fugitive from the apartheid regime, Philip came to the UK in 1958, taking in that year MRCP (London), MRCP (Edinburgh) in 1959, FRCP (Edinburgh) in 1973, and FRCP (London) in 1975.

He was appointed senior registrar in cardiology at Manchester Royal Infirmary in 1962 and became consultant physician and cardiologist at North Manchester General Hospital in 1965. He was assistant lecturer in medicine and undergraduate clinical tutor at Manchester University until he retired in 1994.

His lifelong interest was literature and the history of medicine, and he was a regular contributor to *The BMJ* on "Reading for Pleasure" as well as book reviews. Other recreational pursuits included astronomy and walking in the countryside.

He jointly translated Christiaan Barnard's MD thesis from Afrikaans into English and was awarded MD by the University of Cape Town in 1981 for his work on atrial septal defect.

He was president of the section of medicine of the Manchester Medical Society in 1985-86 and was made a life fellow in 1997.

Philip was an astute clinician, a much valued colleague, and a popular mentor to generations of medical students, attributes that he combined endearingly with characteristic personal charm and modesty.

In 1959 Philip married Ann Lurie, who survives him, along with their daughter, son, and three grandchildren.

Biography

Consultant physician and cardiologist (b 1929; q Cape Town 1953; MD, FRCP Lond, FRCP Edin), d 30 June 2016

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