

Remembering Terry Pook 1937 - 2018

We were sad to hear that Terry Pook died in April, a few months after he'd been diagnosed with a brain tumour although Terry had been ill for some time before that. The funeral was held on 18th May, attended by many members of his family and friends including friends from Southampton Archaeology Society. Terry was a long term member of SCMAS (now SAS) and will be well known to members as our former Treasurer, the post he held for ten years until 2012. He then went on to become treasurer to the Friends of Southampton Old Cemetery (FoSOC).

Born in Wandsworth and brought up in south London, Terry showed interest in nature and joined the Sea Scouts as a boy. He worked as a draughtsman with John Lewis and during National service, followed by a period overseas as a cartographer with Ordnance Survey (OS). He was a keen cyclist and had a motorcycle with sidecar. Terry met his wife Pauline and married in 1960, moving to Southampton with OS; the couple had four children and Terry later became a Scout Leader, showing practical skills such as sewing rucksacks.

Terry's interests included history and archaeology: he took part in the excavation of Nonesuch Palace and enjoyed researching family history. He was an active historical researcher, both with Southampton and Hampshire, and he represented SCMAS as a member of Hampshire Archives Trust. The results of Terry's research featured regularly in the SCMAS/SAS newsletters, most recently an article about George, the former owner of Tudor House, Southampton. After his wife's death from breast cancer Terry published a book, *An Ideal Location* about the area where he lived in Shirley, formerly part of the Atherley estate bordering on Southampton Common. The book focused particularly on his own street, Evelyn Crescent and its history, and copies were sold for the benefit of Cancer Research. Terry remained a member of the SAS committee until the 2017 AGM, and we shall miss his presence at our lectures and other events.