



## **Katie Stanhope-Palmer**

**Member of Roehampton Club**

**1989 - 2022**

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of a long-standing Member, Katie Stanhope-Palmer, who following a sudden stroke, passed away peacefully in Kingston Hospital on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

After leaving school in Great Missenden, Katie started working nearby for the Civil Service. Following the war years, she transferred her Civil Service career to London, eventually settling in Putney. London life offered Katie many opportunities for travel and to develop her love of the Arts. Exploring galleries, museums and opera houses in Europe and America, she grew her knowledge and love of art, music and especially opera. Towards the end of her working life, she moved to the charity sector, working for a number of years for the Distressed Gentlefolk's Aid Association, now known as Turn2Us, helping to tackle financial insecurity for people living in poverty. After retirement, she continued to offer support to others as a volunteer, and until only three years ago she was a familiar face welcoming arrivals at Reception at Queen Mary's Hospital.

Katie's membership of the Club was initially with her friend Reg Cosgrove, who so much enjoyed a round of golf at the Club. After his passing in 2004, she continued as a Non-Playing Member, appreciating good company and friendship with Members participating in Putney Music Society and Roehampton Art Group meetings, enjoying trips to museums and concerts. Until very recently, she continued lunching at the Club, relishing chance meetings with old friends.

Katie's funeral will be held at Putney Vale Crematorium on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 11.30am and afterwards at Roehampton Club. Friends wishing to attend, should contact Katie's goddaughter, Caroline Barton, by Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November: [bartoncaroline11@gmail.com](mailto:bartoncaroline11@gmail.com)

No flowers please, but donations, if desired can be made to: Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability, where charitable donations go towards funding art and music rehabilitation for adults with profound and complex disability due to acquired brain injury or disease. RHN's 2022 Art Room appeal boosts supply of art materials and therapists in the calm space away from the clinical environment.

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It can be certain that Katie would approve of such a project.