

JACKIE KEANE

Member of Roehampton Club 1994-2018



It is with immense sadness that we announce the recent death of a former Member, Jackie Keane. Her daughter, Peta Simey has kindly written the following:

‘Born in Zimbabwe in 1947, Jackie’s life was shaped by a spirit of adventure. Her childhood took her to Hong Kong, her twenties were spent working for the Foreign Office in Beirut, then living in Caracas and Chicago before finally settling back in the UK in the late 70’s. Her love for exploring never waned - from holidays in Spain and Portugal with dear Roehampton friends, horseback riding in the Okevango Delta, and even joining an expedition to Base Camp Everest.

When not “hot footing” it around the world, Jackie enjoyed a rich and varied career. She began as a secretary in the Foreign Office, then used her fluent French to springboard a career as a stockbroker in the City. She ended her career on a high, “returning to her secretarial roots” as an Executive Assistant to the High Master of St Paul’s School in London, a role she thoroughly enjoyed.

Jackie was a much-loved and active member of the Roehampton Club for many years. She enjoyed regular games of golf and tennis, took part in countless social activities and events, and served as Ladies’ Business Captain during her membership. She made many treasured friends and cherished her time at the Club, spending every moment she could there before moving to Buckinghamshire to be closer to her daughter Peta, and her beloved grandchildren Jake and Ella, of whom she was immensely proud.

She was a remarkable woman, known for her big heart, positivity, great sense of humour and willingness to get “stuck in”. No challenge was ever too great, no dish too complex and no sewing or knitting pattern ever too intricate to master.

We have created an online memorial page where you can share your stories, memories, and photos of Jackie here to help celebrate her life’.

<https://www.kudoboard.com/boards/5J52Kyw6>