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Colin Langley CTA (Fellow)

Colin Edward Langley was born on 6 October 1943 in Wimbledon. A single child to Cecil and Mary Langley, he spent his childhood years in New Malden, Surrey and was educated at school in Morden.

At 16, he became a civil servant, working for the Inland Revenue. He then began working for Barclays Bank, moving job to get a better interest rate on his mortgage!

At Barclays, he passed his ATII tax exams, and this led to a move to accountants Arthur Andersen, where he continued his career until retiring in 1999. Colin was a founding member of the tax team at Arthur Andersen, which built the International Executive Services practice in London serving expatriate clients. A kind man, he

brought drive and common sense with good humour to the leadership of a team which he helped grow to over 100 professionals.

Colin had many interests and accomplishments. He was a member of the CIOT for over 50 years and chairman of the Chelmsford Branch (now Essex) for approximately 15 years. In later retirement, he published several research books on Daphne du Maurier.

He leaves behind a loving wife, Margery, to whom he was married for 56 years and two children, Kim and Ian.

Barbara Harewood CTA

The East Midlands Branch of the Chartered Institute of Taxation is indebted to Barbara Harewood for her service as a committee member. She became Chairman of the Branch in 1997 after many years as a diligent and very efficient Secretary.

In 1994, the Branch held a Celebration Dinner in Nottingham to commemorate the Institute's Grant of its Royal Charter. The keynote speaker was Sir Anthony Battishill, then Chairman of the Board of Inland Revenue. Barbara had met him at a cocktail party held after a Branches Forum earlier that year. She contacted his office and made all the arrangements.

One consequence of Sir Anthony's attendance was that our top table was filled with Section Heads from HMRC. Our dinner was heralded as a great success.

We were very sorry to learn of Barbara's death last month and contacted members in the East Midlands with the sad news. We are pleased to include here this tribute from Past Chair Andrew Tiplady.