

## **DAVID EVANS 1939-2025.**

David, who died in The Willows Nursing Home on July 7<sup>th</sup> 2025, lived in The Lealand, East Farndon, with his wife Pat, from 2004 until 2023. Because of David's health, they then moved to a flat in Market Harborough.

David was born in Coventry and when he was 15 he moved with his family to Sale, near Manchester. He enrolled as a student at Salford Technical College (now University) as an apprentice engineer. It was here that he started work and he and Pat met and married. They moved to near Newport, in south Wales, where David worked as an engineer at the steelworks.

In the early 1970s they spent three years in Saudi Arabia, where David worked for Aramco. They then returned to Wales and David worked in the fibreglass industry in Caerleon.

In the 1980s, David embarked on a completely new challenge. He retired from engineering and bought a laundrette in Hereford. They lived there for around 20 years, during which time David became increasingly involved in the restoration of classic cars, such as Rolls-Royces. He became the president of the Rolls-Royce Enthusiasts' Club and he and Pat spent much of their time organising the annual rally. It took most of the year to organise, so it was a non-stop commitment.

David suffered a stroke when he was 61 and this was what made him and Pat give all this up and move to East Farndon, to be near their elder daughter.

While in the village, Pat and David attended the parish church and supported village events. The photograph shows David in cheerful mood manning a stall at the 2013 fete.

He leaves Pat, his wife for 63 years, and two daughters.

