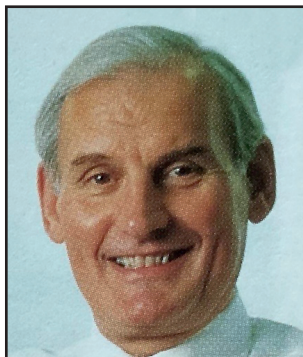


Obituary



In memory of Ir Malcolm John MATTHEWS

The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers expresses our deepest sorrow over the passing away of Ir Malcolm John MATTHEWS. Ir MATTHEWS died of a heart attack while on vacation in Croatia. He was 83 years old.

Ir MATTHEWS was born in West Ham, UK, to Frederick Charles and Irene Baxter MATTHEWS. He graduated with a Master of Science in Chemical Engineering from Imperial College London.

In 1967, Ir MATTHEWS emigrated to the United States to join Grumman Aerospace, where he was involved in the design of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Lunar Module. His career included positions at Air Products, British Oxygen Co. Ltd, and Airco Industrial Gases. He also completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard University.

Ir MATTHEWS became Managing Director of the Hong Kong and China Gas Company Ltd (Towngas) in 1985 and retired in 1997. He was President of The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers for Session 1994/1995 and served on the Board of Directors for TAL Group and Singer N.V. He was also a member of the Hong Kong Club.

Upon his retirement and return to the UK, Ir MATTHEWS became active as an alumnus at Imperial College. He lived in Kenilworth, Warwickshire, where he was President of the local Rotary Club until his death. His funeral was held nearby at Oakley Wood Crematorium in Leamington Spa.

Ir MATTHEWS is survived by his partner, Maureen Lewis; his former wife, Nancy; and his three children, Gareth, Bronwen and Charlotte.