



David Butterworth
12.12.1946. – 10.04.2024.

It is my privilege and honour to have been asked to write an obituary regarding David Butterworth, who recently passed away. David was born on the 12th of December 1946 and died in hospital on the 10th April 2024. He came from Accrington in Lancashire and his career in computer programming took him all over the country. Football conversations started with the Stanley, moved onto Blackburn with John Berry, and then onto Chorley FC and Bolton Wanderers with me. He met Sue, his wife to be, in the Hastings area and they eventually moved to Westward Ho! In North Devon. I first met David and his late wife Sue at Kingsley Indoor Bowling Club. They were very established members of the club at the time with David holding the position of treasurer. He became Devon President in the 2010/2011 season and a Life Member as a result. He became County League Secretary between 2012 and 2023, and Treasurer between 2019 and 2023 whilst Sue held the position of Fixture Secretary for a period. After losing his wife, he decided to carry on for a few years before he eventually decided to finish with the roles. He rejoined Kingsley in 2021 but stopped bowling indoors through health problems. David was just as prominent when bowling outdoors. He joined Victoria Park in Bideford and held the position of Treasurer from 2006, with distinction, for 7 years. He then became President of Bowls Devon for 2014. He was Vice President of the North Devon Triples League in 2016 and 2017 and became President in 2018 and 2019. He was elected as Treasurer at the Triples League AGM in 2019 and was in position until his passing.

He will be sorely missed.

When I have funeral details, I will let you know.

George Taylor

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