

'Neuropathology in relation to Mental Disease' (1954). The following year he spent as a Nuffield Fellow; first in the United States, at Columbia, then Yale and then in Stockholm with Professor Casparsson, moving in 1958 to Canada to become Director of Clinical Research at the University of Toronto.

He returned to England in 1964 to practise his greatest interest – that of clinical psychiatry. I met him when he worked at Cane Hill Hospital and found him a stimulating teacher and an astute clinician.

Despite bouts of serious illness and slowly deteriorating health until his death in August last year, he travelled extensively as a visiting Fellow Adviser on Psychiatric Education in India and Australia, and as Consultant in Psychological Medicine in Riyadh Al Kharj Hospital, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

Latterly he had spent some time in China where he was visiting Professor of Psychiatry in Beijing. He had a wide range of intellectual interests, particularly philology and oriental philosophy. He was a gifted linguist with a remarkable ear for the prosodic features of languages which included four tone Mandarin Chinese. He had been learning Tibetan prior to his visit to that country where he died, succumbing to altitude sickness.

He was a quick-witted man with a sharp incisive mind and great ability to grasp essentials. His clarity of thought and command of language made him a fine teacher and a redoubtable adversary in debate. He did not suffer fools gladly but was always ready with advice and help.

He was very attached to his family and much involved with them. Daya was very proud of his wife, Sandhya – in particular of her work with children with specific language impairment and also for the fact that she is a descendant of Professor Sir J. C. Basu, the eminent Indian biologist. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, one a child psychiatrist and the other a general practitioner as is his son. There are five grandchildren.

Those of us who had the privilege of his friendship and kindred spiritual leanings are filled with a deep sense of loss at his passing.

RAGHU GAIND

**HUGH BERNARD GRAHAM THOMAS, Lately
Consultant Psychiatrist to the Middlewood Hospital,
Sheffield**

Hugh Bernard Graham Thomas, FRCPsych, died on 31 October 1991 aged 62 after a long illness. He

was intellectually well endowed. He spoke French and Spanish and was well versed in cybernetics, information and decision theory and in mathematical psychology.

He was the Robert Styring Scholar at Queen's College Oxford and was awarded the Goldsmith Entrance Scholarship at UCH. He worked at the Salpêtrière as an MRC exchange scholar with the Centre de Langues, and later at the Cambridge Psychological Laboratory where he was engaged on the psychology of arithmetic calculations. From 1967 to 1970 he was Chief of the Schizophrenia Research Unit at the Illinois State Psychiatric Unit in Chicago. He returned to England in 1972 for personal reasons and was elected a Lecturer in Psychiatry at Sheffield. In 1976 he was appointed a Consultant to the Middlewood Hospital Sheffield.

Hugh was an engaging individual with striking trenchancy and a love of good things as diverse as wine, fishing, cooking, country shows and Mozart. He was an entertaining, amusing and enterprising companion. He also wrote excellent poetry, e.g. "... How to combine giving with earning a living; compassion with my great passion: chemistry, medicine and the mind".

He leaves a daughter, Emma.

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The deaths of the following have also been reported:

THOMAS JOHN NEVILLE BATES, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, Mapperley Hospital, Nottingham.

JOHN ATHERTON CAMERON, Consultant Psychiatrist; The Old Vicarage, Chilaton, Lifton, Devon.

NIGEL GAVIN MANFRED DUNNETT, Consultant Psychiatrist, Redcliffe Centre for Community Psychiatry, Wellingborough, Northamptonshire.

WALTER FABISCH, retired, formerly 154 Harrow Road, Wollaton Park, Nottingham.

MARGARET HALLAS, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist, St James's University Hospital, Leeds.

GEORGE KERR, formerly Consultant Psychiatrist; Rosehill, Dovenby, Cockermouth, Cumbria.

JOHN PAUL MELLON, Consultant Psychiatrist, Strathmartine Hospital, Dundee, Scotland.

FRANCIS EDWARD PILKINGTON, Emeritus Consultant, South West Regional Hospital Board.

HILARY MARTIN ADRIAN SOUTHWELL STANDISH-BARRY, Consultant Psychiatrist, Epsom District Hospital, Epsom, Surrey.

BERNARD LIONEL MARCUS TURNER, formerly Senior Medical Officer, Brixton Prison.