



ROYAL NAVAL ASSOCIATION

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Re: **Shipmate Raymond Barraclough MSM**

To all Shipmates in Number 4 Area and beyond

I must express my grateful thanks for all the sympathy cards and kind words from so many. Also, my grateful thanks to the Standard Bearers and other shipmates who attended Raymond's funeral.

Raymond never wanted any fuss and would be overwhelmed by the response to his crossing the bar. Many names from his past as well as from the present.

The Royal Navy and subsequently the Royal Naval Association were his life, serving 33 years in the Royal Navy, over 40 years in the Bridport Branch of the RNA, 34 years as the Area 4 Treasurer and 30 years as the National Treasurer. As his private secretary/Girl Friday, I can vouch for the time and effort he put into everything he undertook ensuring that all was correct and shipshape.

As he always said, no-one is indispensable but I appreciate he is going to be a hard act to follow.

Thank you all once again for all your support.

Yours aye

Jane