

David Taylor; born on the 29th September 1941 in Denham, Bucks, David was the son of Mr Cyril Taylor and Mrs Edith Taylor, nee Winch, who married in Highgate circa 1937. David was the middle brother to Terry and Michael.

David married Brenda on the 25th June 1965 at Epping Registry office, the wedding was blessed at St Andrews Church in Harlow, they were married for 33 years; they went on to have two children Kathryn and Nicholas.

David attended Saffron Walden High School, on leaving school he went on to work for Edwin Lutyens Architects practice. The practice encouraged David to qualify as an architect at The North London Polytechnic, Holloway Road. He had a brief spell of employment with Redbridge Council before moving back to Harlow in 1972 to work for Harlow Development Corporation with Sir Frederick Gibberd during the early days of Harlow Development Corporation.

David worked on the majority of sheltered housing schemes and was the lead designer on projects at The Moorhen, Norman Booth Centre and Great Parndon Community Association. He continued to work in the Architect's Department until his retirement in 1991.

David played for the Rams during the late 1950's and was captain of the first eleven in 1963-64. He was forced to end his playing career due after having to undergo open heart surgery in the late 1970's. He then went on to support the club using his architecture skills to design the club house extension and he held a variety of stewarding roles.

David dedicated his life to the well-being of his community and the built environment and this could only be achieved with the unwavering support of his family.

He retained his love for Rugby until his death on the 10th February 1998, he is survived by wife Brenda and children Kathryn and Nicholas. Brenda was awarded a BEM in the Queens Honours list in 2016 for her services to dance and for work with children in the community.