

Roy's Send off

9th Dec 2009



Les presenting the reef to Sheila

Some of us met at the car park by the Tamar Bridge for an 8-30am departure and headed off to Newquay for Roy's funeral. We were going to Roy's house as Sheila, Roy's wife, had asked if we could follow the hearse. On our arrival we met with a few more wingers who had made their own way, in all there were about 10 bikes in total.

The hearse arrived at 9-50 and we were able to put the D&C wreath and other flowers in with Roy. We left for Truro Crematorium at 10-00 with the line of bikes following the hearse, Mike, Nige, Graham and Pete did some traffic duty and the cortège managed to stay together for the 25 minute drive. On arrival we met some more of D&C who had travelled by car.

We made our way into the Chapel for the service, about 50 mourners listened to the Rev Chris Mcquillen-Wright give a personal tribute to Roy's life, saying about Roy's apprenticeship at Chatham Dock yard, his life in the RAF and his love of rugby, he was a Royalist and loved his country. The hymns we sung were 'I vow to thee, my Country' and 'Jerusalem', half way through the service

they played a piece of music and the Rev Chris passed around lit taper for us all to go to the front of the chapel and light a candle in memory of Roy.



Waiting for the hearse to arrive at Roy's house.

After all the weather that we have had these last few weeks, constant rain and gales the day turned out warm and dry with the sun coming out for a time, so we think Roy was looking for a good send-off and I hope we achieved that.



After the service we all lined up on the drive to the Crematorium with our bikes as we'd been asked to escort the limo to the Plume of Feathers at Mitchell for the wake, a drink and a buffet.

Sheila with the D&C reef.



Mike placing a reef from himself and Tracey.