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Hi Guys,

It is with sadness that I report that Errol Sapire wrote to me this morning to advise that **Roger Hertz** had passed away.

Our condolences to the Hertz family – our thoughts and prayers are with them at this difficult time.

For your information I have included the information that Roger supplied me for his entry in our Yearbook:

ROGER HERTZ



After matriculating I participated in a Youth Leadership course for a year in Israel. On my return I started my medical studies at UCT, graduating in 1969. During the course of my studies, I married my wife Elizabeth, who had been with me on the course in Israel.

We emigrated to Israel in 1970, I completed my internship and started work in Internal Medicine.

In 1972 I decided to return to SA and worked on the Gold Mines in the OFS at The Harmony Mine Hospital. After the riots on the mines in 1975, we decided to return to Israel where we have lived ever since.

In 1976/7 I served in the Israeli Air Force as a flight surgeon and for about 20 years carried out annual reserve duty, as is compulsory in this country for doctors till age 51. I was eventually discharged with the rank of Major.

Over the years I was employed as a Family Practitioner by one of the Health Funds until my semi-retirement as of May 1st this year, but I am still maintaining a small practice for about 20 hours a week.

We have three children and four grandsons aged 11, 9 and twins of nearly 5, who keep us very busy. Our 2 daughters live close by in our village (Even Yehuda, about 25 km north of Tel Aviv) and our son lives in Tel Aviv, near the high life.

As I still have family in EL (my brother David), as well as various other family members in Jo'burg and Cape Town, we visit from time to time. Holidays are very often spent in Europe as we are relatively close and have time-share to utilise at various locations.

2016 – I am continuing in partial retirement, working about 20 hours a week in a limited General Practice, and will probably continue for another year or two. We have had the joyful addition of another two grandchildren, now totaling 6 – five boys and one Princess. I have taken to a bit of gardening, trying to grow paw-paw trees from pips – so far, no paw-paws. All in all, not much change.

May he rest in peace.

Kind regards

Werner