

## **Ron Darby**

Ron's funeral will be held on Wednesday 12th December. He will be buried in the Otford Woodland Burial site at 1.15 p.m. with family only present.

This will be followed by a memorial celebration service at 2 p.m. at St Bartholomew's Church, The Green, Otford. There will then be a marching jazz band procession to The Bull PH, High Street, Otford TN14 5PG for about 3 pm where we will raise a glass and celebrate Ron's life. All welcome to both, but it would be helpful to know if you can join us for catering purposes – please email us at [darby@btinternet.com](mailto:darby@btinternet.com)

Family flowers only but donations if wished to the RNLi via Welham Jones, Sevenoaks TN13 1DJ.

There is a public car park opposite the Bull which is also only a few minutes walk to the Church. There is no dress code, please come as you feel comfortable.

## **Barbara Darby**

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Ron died peacefully at home on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018 just before 8am. Ron was a member of both the Kentish Cat Society and the Abyssinian Cat Club. He was Welfare Officer for the Abyssinian Cat Club for five years and a Committee Member until his health forced him to retire. He and Barbara bred Abyssinians for many years starting in the sixties, stopping while they raised a family and then coming back into Abys in the nineties. Ron and Barbara hosted the Kentish Garden Party for many years and they were always at the Kentish Fork Supper which, one year, Ron enlivened with his beloved Jazz music. Ron was an extremely talented Jazz Drummer and musician. He had an amazing talent for living and never let his disability get him down, the world has lost a gentle man and a gentleman. I will echo a prayer said by one of my young students and hope he and Charles meet in heaven and remain the best of friends.

**Harriet Patey**  
**Charriet Abyssinians**  
**Chairman Kentish Cat Society**  
**Welfare Officer Abyssinian Cat Club**