VICTOR RODERICK ELLIOT



ELLIOT Victor Roderick 8183 (1963–67) DCH Elliot * Solicitor Murwillumbah; Tudor, Bur, Bro, Hake, Dal, Hm. Cdt. M I R Medical Radiographer and Grazier.

Born 3 May 1950 Darlinghurst, NSW

Died 26 May 2000 Chinderah, NSW

Victor was the son of Dudley and Rosalie, a loving brother of Roslyn, Gilbert and Kent, and father of Katrina. He grew up on the north coast of NSW a place he spent most of his life. Vic, as he was known to his friends, was a loveable rogue. He dared to be different and pushed the boundaries of life to the limit. From an early age Vic demonstrated his individuality. He was probably the first boy to ride a Harley Davidson to King's. He was a good rugby player at school and also represented the school as a sprinter in the GPS athletics.

He was a workaholic: he worked as a radiographer, ran two cattle properties, and had other business interests.

A radiographer for over 30 years, he demonstrated a great compassion for sick and injured patients. First employed at Fairfield Hospital in Western Sydney, he then worked at Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney doing more complex radiography work.

While not unhappy with radiography he nevertheless decided to give a career in law a try; however, after completing two years of study he still felt his real calling was radiography. At that time Tweed Heads hospital was about to open, so Vic applied for the sole radiographer position and got the job. He worked extremely hard during the day as well as doing the after-hours call work. The department expanded over time, and as Chief Radiographer, Vic had a major bearing on its development.

He travelled extensively overseas and experienced life to the full.

He loved his farm and the cattle. The largest was at Brays Creek, not far from Tyalgum (out from Murwillumbah) with a smaller property at Duranbah in northern NSW.

Vic at Brays Creek



He loved to ride his surfboard and his motorbike.

Vic with his mother (1999)

Vic had a wicked sense of humour and his friends will remember his smiling face and funny laugh.

Vic's daughter, Katrina, completed dual Arts-Law degrees at Bond University, and works in International Humanitarian Law.

Vic had a business partner at Chinderah who died suddenly after being diagnosed with a brain tumour. The partner's son became Vic's new partner, an arrangement which proved unsatisfactory leading to the dissolution of the partnership. The expartner subsequently arranged for two men to kidnap Vic for possible ransom; however, there was a struggle that led to Vic being fatally shot.

To his family, Vic will always be remembered as a friendly person who warmed to many people and will be missed for the rest of our days.





Fun at school: Vic, Bert Owen-Schwind and Tim Armytage



Vic with his MG



4th XV, 1967 Colonel Buring coach

Vic is standing, 2nd boy from the

(see website for full team details)

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