

## **Rod Bond (1951 - 2023)**



Rod commenced medicine at Monash in 1969 and graduated in 1974. He was a natural leader and a dedicated expert in his chosen field of Oncology.

After training as an oncologist, Rod and his wife Marilyn (a gynaecologist) worked in South Africa and then the USA, at the conclusion of which he declined a prestigious oncology position in the US in favour of returning to Australia, first to Gippsland and finally settling in Ballarat.

Rod was a generous, loyal friend to so many, a past MUMUS 74 committee member, and always giving of his time and self. Most notably, he was a wonderful raconteur with a great sense of humour and a ready, large laugh.

Rod was passionate about his farm, his wine, the Demons (AFL), his Lancias, but above all about his family. He adored his wife Marilyn and daughters Katherine, Jennifer and Stephanie (2 are medical graduates) and his grandchildren Archie and Harriett.

Rod had a sudden large cerebral haemorrhage and died in November 2023. We trust the chefs in heaven can satisfy Rod's expert palate for wine and food at "regular" mealtimes.