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A Remembrance Service is held annually in the College Chapel to coincide with All Saints Day.

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# A Litany of Remembrance

In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.

*In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.* 

In the opening of buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.

*In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn,* we remember them.

In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.

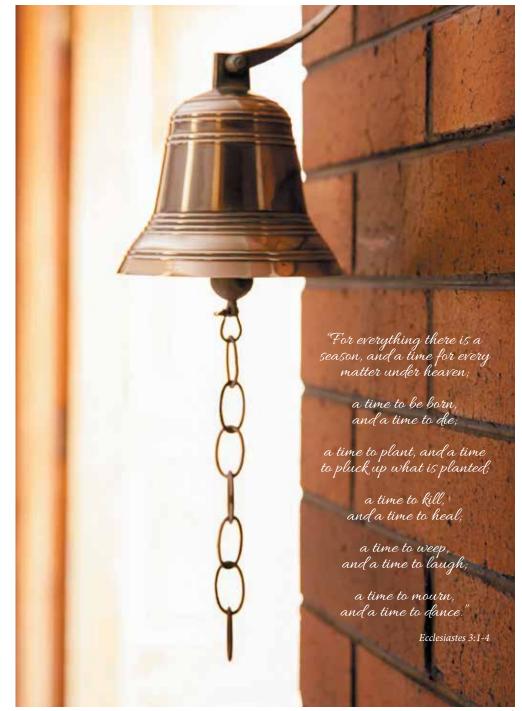
When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.

When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.

So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us, as we remember them.

Gates of Prayer R.B.Gittelsohn (1975)



FOREWARD THE COLLEGE SONG



# Foreword

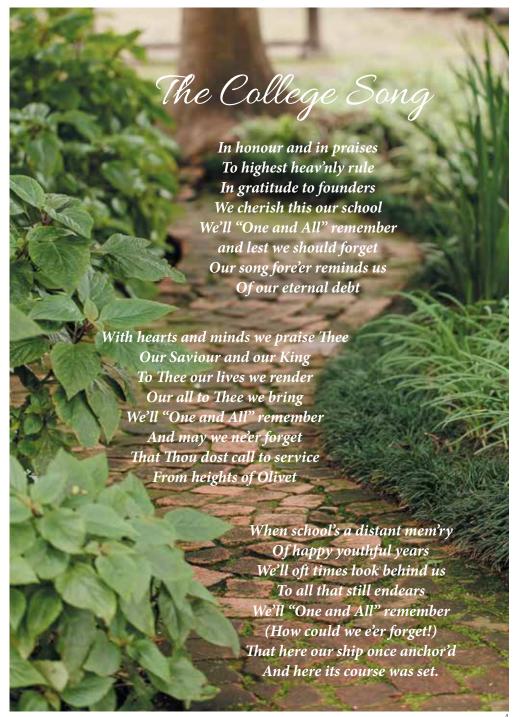
We are thankful that with the lowering of COVID-19 restrictions to Level 1, we are able to host the annual College Remembrance Service in our beautiful Chapel this year, with the observance of social distancing. The service is traditionally held on the Friday closest to All Saints Day, with the symbolic lighting of candles and taking of communion, culminating in the Garden of Remembrance where a wreath is laid on the wheel as a symbol linking our Chapel to the Remembrance Garden.

The opportunity to gather as a community to remember loved ones who have died is important and allows us to sit with our grief for a while, as well as affording us the time, both as individuals and as a community, never to forget those who have gone before us.

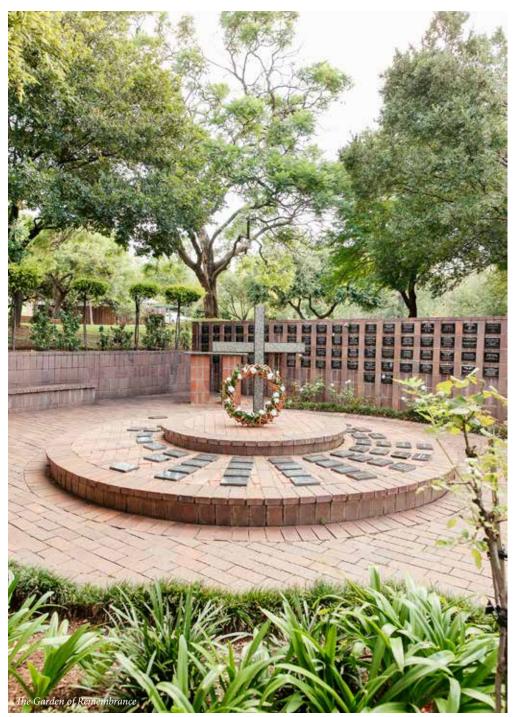
Our memorial booklet attempts to capture the stories of all those associated with the College who have died. They will never be forgotten and will be remembered and honoured by future generations of Saints. The College, together with the families, honours those who are memorialised in our booklet.

As a College, we appreciate receiving updates and information so that our records of remembrance can be kept current. The Advancement Office is the custodian of these records, on behalf of all the entire College. Please send details of the loss of any loved ones to Julia Phipps in the Advancement Office at jphipps@stithian.com. Commemoration in the Memorial Garden is organised through Toni Brooks in the Boys' College and she can be contacted at tbrooks@stithian.com.

Celeste Gilardi Rector, St Stithians College



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# The Garden of Remembrance

Memorial Plaques on the wall in the Memorial Garden appear in chronological date order until 2007, after which they are in order of request date. If you would like to request a plaque in the Memorial Garden to commemorate the life of a loved one connected with the Saints Community, please email Toni Brooks: tbrooks@stithian.com. Families have also chosen to plant trees to commemorate a loved one. Please contact Pauline Dickson for more information: pdickson@stithian.com

# HERBERT DEIGHTON CLEGG AUBREY MARY CLEGG

Our Beloved Parents

Herbert and Aubray are the parents of Vernon Clegg. In 1962 Vernon Clegg was appointed as second master under the Headship of Steyn Krige. According to Walter Macfarlane's history of St Stithians 'To Serve The Future Hour' "the minutes of the Council meeting of 1961 in recording Vernon Clegg's appointment to the staff state that he was 43 years old and had for 14 years (12 of them as Housemaster) been teaching biology and geography at Kearsney College. He has the reputation of being a very successful organiser and manager. He was highly respected as a teacher and a Housemaster. He was married and had four children, and his wife Margaret was destined to play a very supportive role in the life of St Stithians. He was also a keen Methodist". Vernon was known to be an excellent Biology teacher and a very efficient organiser as well as being a man who was scrupulously fair. Vernon's drive is largely responsible for the ongoing success of the Biology Department over the years. Vernon's daughter Anne Bredenkamp previously taught in the Biology Department in the Boys' College. Anne

was also the Director of Krige House for many years, a role which she filled with great expertise and compassion for the boys, she followed in her father's footsteps as Head of Biology, and then Grade 9 Director.

#### COLIN PETER GILES

12 December 1951 – 17 December 1964 In Loving Memory of a dear Son & Brother

Colin died tragically in a mountain climbing accident whilst he was a pupil in the Boys' College. Science was Colin's great passion.

The following article appeared in the Sunday Times of 20 December, 1964:

### RAND BOY KILLED CLIMBING IN CAPE

A 13-year-old schoolboy, Colin Giles, of Lancashire Avenue, Craighall, Johannesburg, was killed when he fell from a ledge while climbing in the Witels River Mountains, near Ceres, yesterday.

He was one of a party of 16 boys – eight from Johannesburg and eight from Cape Town. They were in the charge of Mr D J Brindley, a teacher at St Stithians College, Randburg.

Members of the Worcester and Cape Town Mountain Clubs left early today to bring down the body which is lying on a ledge. It was hoped to bring the body down by late afternoon.

Colin Giles's school report on his year in Standard 7A at St Stithians arrived this week. He had been placed sixth in a class of more than 80 boys.

All his teachers had high praise for him. He was marked far above the average in all his subjects and had four distinctions.



#### JEREMY CHARLES EDWARD VICKERS

05 March 1946 - 18 June 1972

Jeremy died tragically in a motor car accident at the age of 26. Jeremy's brother Jimmy was the Chairman of the Old Boys' Association in 1958/9. Jeremy was a pupil at the Boys' College. He played first team rugby in both Standard 9 and Matric and was a College Prefect. Jeremy's brother Patrick was also a pupil at the Boys' College until 1962.

#### NORMAN J. TICKTON

05 August 1946 – 18 June 1973 A race well run

Norman died of cancer at the age of 26. He was a pupil at the Boys' College and an outstanding rugby player. He played rugby for Wanderers 1st XV. Norman had a cousin Mark who was also a pupil at the Boys' College. His family contributed greatly to the College.

#### JAMES L. STEPHEN

30 June 1957 – 30 December 1974 Our beloved son

James was a pupil at the Boys' College. He died tragically in a motor car accident at the age of 16.

#### RICHARD (PIXIE) LOWE

26 April 1961 – 22 October 1979 Beloved son & brother, with us always

Richard died tragically in a motorbike accident at the age of 18. He was a Matric boarder in Collins House at the time of the accident. Richard's nickname was Pixie and he has become something of a legend amongst the Collins House boarders.

#### NICOLAS WILLIAMS

1958 – 1980 With us always, the Williams family

Nicolas was knocked down by a motorist when he was out running one Saturday and tragically died at the age of 21. The Williams family came from England to South Africa in 1970 and Nicholas started in the Boys' Prep in his Standard 4 year. He was a brilliant soccer player. In later years Nicolas's brother Christopher had a son, whom he named Nicolas, who in turn attended the Boys' College. His sister Victoria was a founder pupil at the Girls' College.

#### SIMON WYKEHAM SPILLER

4 May 1950 - 18 May 1980

#### PAUL VAN DER WALT

07 October 1961 – 11 July 1980 A loving son and brother Always in our thoughts



#### MARK LESLIE MILLRAY

1962 – 1982 Rest in peace, my beloved son, Mom

Mark died at the age of 20. He was a pupil in the Boys' College.

# **GREGORY CRAIG DUFFIELD**

23 March 1964 - 1 December 1982

Craig was a pupil at the Boys' College and died at the age of 18.

#### MARK RUTTER

6 June 1968 – 18 December 1983 Forever Remembered Much loved son of Dennis and Lois, and his sister Shirley

Mark was tragically killed in a car accident at the age of 15 while a pupil at the college. His funeral was held at the college chapel.

Mark loved all sports, played rugby and cricket and swam for the school team. His great passion was horse riding, especially cross country jumping with his beloved horse Amalung.

His mom's ashes were scattered with his in the Garden of Remembrance 10 years later.

#### ELIZABETH CATHERINA BRYSON

23 November 1909 – 4 March 1983 Her Light So Shone Before Men That They Saw Good Works And Glorified, Our Father In Heaven

#### DAVID IAN RISELY

12 April 963 – 11 October 1983 Rest In Peace, Forever Loved Mom, Dad, Shirl

David was tragically killed in a motor car accident at the age of 20. He was a pupil in the Boys' College. Mike Risely, David's brother was also a pupil at the College. David's nephew, Craig, was a College Prefect in 2002 and the first ever Head of Public Relations in the Boys' College. David's niece, Kim, matriculated at the Girls' College.

#### ANTHONY (ZAC) DE BEER

18 May 1964 – 15 August 1984 The wind comes up, and the sun goes away The snow falls down, and the leaves blow away

Zac died tragically at the age of 20. He was a pupil at the Boys' College.

#### MARY LAW ADAM

22 May 1912 – 23 October 1984 Rest in peace

#### ROBERT LARTER

24 July 1928 – 17 July 1985 Always remembered by Jennifer, Megan, Gillian, Anne & Douglas

#### DAVID FRANK MACLEAN

01 July 1969 – 28 August 1985 Rest in peace

David was a pupil at the Boys' College. He was a lively and enthusiastic pupil and was tragically killed in a car accident at the age of 16.



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#### ARTHUR "JACK" WEVELL FROST

14 May 1928 – 10 January 1986 Donna, David, Peter, Colin and Tony "Love is a golden chain that binds us till we meet again"

Arthur "Jack" Frost educated his four sons at St Stithians from Grade 1 to Matric. He and his wife Donna contributed significantly to the development of the school. The Frost Block, situated in the Boys' College main quadrangle opposite the Chapel, is named in his honour. Jack served on the Parent's Association, with "Grounds" being his portfolio and he also served on the Council. Jack died from cerebral malaria at the age of 58.

#### MICHAEL ANTHONY WOODIWISS

05 December 1968 – 21 November 1986 Ever beloved son & brother of Trevor & Ethne, Sandy & Angela

Michael was a pupil at the Boys' College and was an outstanding young man. He had just finished writing his Matric and was tragically killed in a motor car accident when the other vehicle jumped a red robot. His sister Sandy lectured to Post Matric students at the College.

#### ANDREW TARRANT

17 May 1968 – 28 April 1987 A great friend, we miss you. Justin, Murray, Peter, John & Adam

Andrew was a pupil at the Boys' College and died at the age of 18.

#### MRS. MAVIS C. WILLIAMSON

7 November 1917 - 16 May 1988 Rest in peace

#### **BABY WILKS**

November 27, 1989 Son of Graham and Lorna Mandy Wilks

Baby Wilks is related to Stephen Nigel Mandy, a former pupil of the Boys' College who is also remembered in the Garden. Baby Wilks' mother is Lorna, sister to Stephen.

#### STEPHEN NIGEL MANDY

03 May1956 – 13 April 1990
Dearly beloved only son of Nigel and Lidia
Brother to Lorna and Graham Wilks
Uncle of Jacqueline, Caroline and Ashleigh
Husband of Tami
Forever in our hearts and thoughts

Stephen was a pupil at the Boys' College. He died at the age of 33.

#### **GAVIN ANTHONY LECK**

30 October 1965 – 22 December 1990 Lovingly remembered by Cecile, Richard and Nic

Gavin was a pupil at the Boys' College and a keen oarsman. He was tragically killed in a motor car accident at the age of 25.

#### YVONNE MARGARET COLLETT

11 February 1929 – 28 April 1991 A dearly loved wife and mother Tony, Susan And David

Yvonne was the wife of Tony, who was then Bursar of the College. She died from illness.

#### RUTH JOAN BRADLEY

25 May 1913 – 15 May 1991 Ray, Ross, Gwen, Andrew, Heather and Colleen

Ruth was the wife of Ray Bradley. From the foundation of the Boys' College, Ray was a member of the Parents' Association Committee and its Chairman in 1959 and, as such, became a member of Council in 1960. He served the College as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of Council. Ruth and Ray's son, Roston, was Dux Scholar and Head of the Dayboys in 1960. Their grandson, Andrew, went through the school from Grade 1 to Matric. The close of 1994 saw the formal end of a long period of service by Ray Bradley. Ruth and Ray had been present at the dedication of the Chapel in 1954 at which time the beautiful Good Samaritan window in the Chapel was donated in memory of his father. Ruth made a significant contribution to the Boys' College.

#### DON WATSON

10 November 1923 – 24.September 1991 Clive, Priscilla, Bryan, Gillian and Family

Don's son Clive was a Biology teacher in the Boys' College and subsequently became Head of Bishops Diocesan College in Cape Town. Don's grandson, Bryan, was a pupil at the Boys' College.

#### BASIL JOHN FUSSELL

21 October 1935 – 13 October 1991

For we loved the man
and do honour his memory
There was ever more in him to
be praised than pardoned

Basil was the husband of Myra and father of Mark and Craig, pupils at both the Boys' Prep and Boys' College. The Fussell family contributed greatly to the development of the College. Basil was tragically killed in a motor accident at the age of 55.

#### **JOHN WINSTON LUNDIE**

1941 – 1992 In memory of a beloved son, husband, father and brother

#### ROBERT ANTHONY ELMES

13 September 1970 – 08 April 1992 In loving memory of our beloved son and brother, the Elmes family

Robert matriculated at Saints in 1989. He went to Rhodes to pursue his tertiary education and was tragically killed in a horse riding accident at the age of 21. His brother Gary matriculated from the Boys' College in 1984 and is an active contributor to the Old Stithian Association. The Elmes family have also contributed most generously to the upgrading of the Garden of Remembrance.

#### **BRAM WANTENAAR**

21 July 1949 – 6 November 1992 We will always love you Forever in our thoughts Gail. Carl and Mark

Bram was a boarder in Collins House in the 1960s.

#### ANDREW PETER PRETORIUS

28 May 1968 – 23 September 1993 Your love and joy always remembered Rest in God's care beloved son and brother

See citation below second plaque dedicated to Andrew's life.

#### ANDREW PETER PRETORIUS

28 May 1968 – 23 September 1993 Our wonderful son, brother and grandson Died tragically leaving precious memories of his love, joy, laughter and achievements

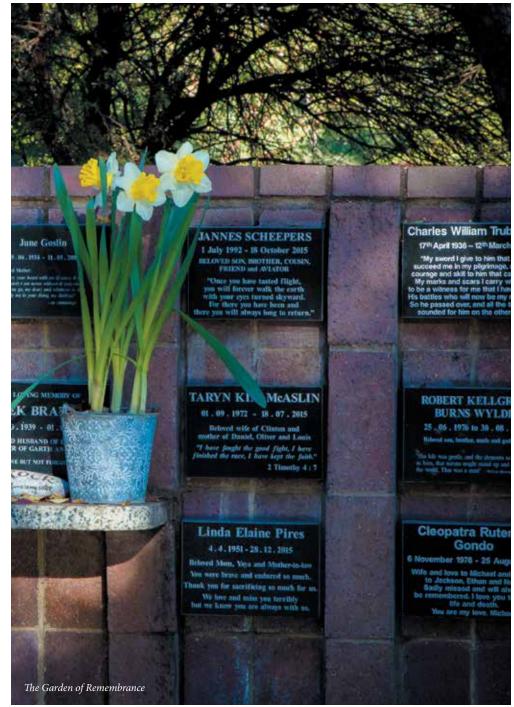
BELOVED GOLDEN BOY REST IN GOD'S CARE Andrew was a pupil at the Boys' College and a boarder in Collins House. He was an extraordinarily talented sportsman. He received Transvaal Colours for Cricket in primary school, five times, until he was twice selected for Nuffield Week. He was an exceptional bowler and received his Honours blazer from Saints. Andrew also played 1st Team Rugby and was also selected to play Craven Week Rugby. When he was studying at Rand Afrikaans University, he played Rugby under the Captainship of Francois Pienaar and in the subsequent year, he Captained the U19 RAU team. Andrew was dedicated to the coaching of sport to underprivileged players. He played both Rugby and Cricket for International clubs. Andrew attended Teachers' Training School and was a student sports coach at Roosevelt High. He was also a Housemaster at Saints. Tragically, Andrew was brutally assaulted and died from his injuries when he was 25 years of age.

#### **JUSTIN RHODES**

26 November 1974 – 14 July 1993 "May the light that he brought into our life never go out"

Justin was a pupil at the Boys' College and was in his Post Matric year at the College when he was tragically killed in a motor car accident in which the other vehicle ignored the turning arrow. Justin's funeral was held in the College Chapel.





#### CLINTON SHAUN McGREGOR

15 April 1975 – 20 July 1993 In loving memory of our most precious son and brother, who brought so much joy into our lives. You gave so much and expected so little in return and were loved by all who knew you. Love is a golden chain that binds us till we meet again rest in God's care

Clinton was a lively and well liked pupil at the Boys' College. He matriculated in 1992 and was tragically killed in a motor car accident whilst on Student Exchange in Australia

#### RICHARD ANTHONY LECK

10 November 1941 – 18 November 1993 Beloved husband of Cecile and father of Gavin and Nicholas

Richard was the father of Gavin and Nicholas, both pupils at the Boys' College. He died tragically at the age of 52. He was predeceased by his son Gavin who is also remembered in the Garden.

#### LANCE ROBERT ELMES

15 January 1992 – 10 February 1994 Lance my boy; even though I can't see you every day, you are always in my heart. You were the greatest son and will always be. Your ever loving father – Stephen

Stephen Elmes matriculated at the Boys' College in 1982. Lance was tragically killed (age 2) with his mother Cheryl (age 27). Lance's uncle Robert matriculated at the Boys' College in 1982 and was tragically killed in a horse riding accident at the age of 21. Robert is also remembered in the Garden. Lance's uncle Gary is an active contributor to the Old Stithian Association and the College. The Elmes family has contributed generously to the upgrading and maintenance of the Garden of Remembrance.

#### **CHERYL GAIL ELMES**

10 August1966 – 10 February 1994 Cheryl; the best wife and mother, one could ever be, you will always be in my heart – take care of our boy. Your husband, Stephen

Cheryl was married to Stephen Elmes who matriculated from the Boys' College in 1982. Cheryl and their baby son, Lance, were tragically killed aged 2 and 27 years respectively. Stephen is brother to Robert (who matriculated at the Boys' College in 1989 and is remembered in the Garden) and Gary who matriculated at the Boys' College in 1984 and is an active member of the Saints community. The Elmes family have contributed significantly to the upgrading and maintenance of the Garden of Remembrance.

#### SEAN MALCOLM DICK

09 July 1975 – 25 July 1994 Beloved son of Brian and Merle, and brother of Craig

He touched the lives of so many with his great love for life. His care and concern for others leaves us united as a family. A legend of 1993. Sean was a pupil of the Boys' College. He was a superb sportsman playing for the 1st XV and representing the College in the Athletics team. Sean was a College Prefect and a caring mentor to the younger boys. His peers called him the 'legend of 1993'. Sean's brother Craig was also a pupil in the Boys' College and Sixth Form. Sean died tragically during his first year at Pietermaritzburg University where he was studying for a B. Comm. Degree. Sean's funeral was held in the Saints Chapel and the song "Taken For A Moment" by Mango Groove was played. John Leyden, the leader of Mango Groove matriculated from the College in 1981. Sean's parents have contributed greatly to the Boys' College. Sean's mother Merle has worked tirelessly with bereaved parents and is currently (2007) the National Chairperson of the Compassionate Friends of South Africa.

#### HELEN MARGARET DESSING (née WHYTE)

24 September 1915 – 20 December 1995 Junior school teacher at "Saints" 1961 – 1988 "She loved St Stithians"

Helen was a Grade 1 teacher in the Boys' Prep who came to St Stithians from Rosebank Primary School in the early 60's. She became the Head of the Junior Primary section of the Boys' Prep. Helen annually produced the Nativity Play in the College Chapel and also coached English declamation/ diction. Helen showed great interest in her students even as they went on further up the school and was greatly respected and loved by her pupils. Helen was an enthusiastic and dynamic person who in her 60's enjoyed backpacking and river rafting. She carried on teaching well into her 70's.

#### JAMES ANDREW LLOYD HERBERTSON

19 July 1967 – 11 August 1996 Much loved son, brother, husband, father and friend. If we can take just a small part of your generous spirit, we will be better people. "Behold, I dream of good and mingle all the world with thee", Tennyson

James was a pupil at both the Boys' Prep and Boys' College and died in a diving accident whilst on a work contract in Spain. He was 29 at the time of his death.

#### LANCE STEPHEN PRETORIUS

04 October 1961 – 14 February1997 Our loving compassionate son and brother rest in God's care dearest, with Andrew

Lance was a pupil at the Boys' College. He died tragically at the age of 36. His brother Andrew predeceased him and his life is also honoured in the Garden.

#### NICHOLA KATE HILL

06 June 1995 – 15 February 1997 In loving memory of our precious daughter

#### IAN CHARLES HOLDSWORTH

26 August 1940 – 27 February 1997 Dearly beloved husband and father of Minette and Brendan. Tragically taken from us. Forever in our hearts.

Brendan was a pupil at the Boys' College.

#### REV. MIKE ROBERTS

St Stithians Chaplain 05 November 1941 – 13 August1997

Rev. Mike Roberts came to the Boys' College in 1994 to serve as Chaplain. Mike was a much loved pastor who stressed the importance of everyday life. He died of illness at the age of 55. Mike had three sons at the Boys' College and his wife Lesley worked in a secretarial capacity at the Girls' College. A plaque dedicated to the memory of Mike Roberts is attached to the Mike Roberts Memorial Chapel which stands above the Girls' College car park. The words "Be Still and Know" are inscribed on



the plinth and are clearly visible from many parts of the College. There is also a plaque in the Chapel dedicated to the memory of Rev. Mike Roberts.

#### **JOHN TRELEASE**

13 March 1928 – 31 December 1997 Who served as a Preparatory School teacher from 1967 to 1991 "Let conscience be your guide"

John was a teacher who came to the Boys' Prep School from The Ridge School in 1967. He was a character of note and many people referred to him as 'Our Own Mr Chips'. He was a South African with a great love for the English language and was a superb English teacher, editor of the school magazine, and had a passion for drama. He was an actor in his spare time and his classes won the best declamation prize year after year. John was always asked to do the announcements at school events. When he retired he was persuaded to stay on and coach softball to Grade 6s and 7s. John was lovingly nicknamed "Trolley Bus" by his pupils.

#### **DENYS REITZ WARREN**

24 April 1940 – 26 February 1999 Deputy Head of the Prep 1962 – 1999 "Nothing can ever separate us from the love of Christ" Romans 8:38

Den, as he was fondly known, started as a teacher in the Boys' Prep in January of 1962, arriving in Johannesburg from the Eastern Cape. He was married to Pat and they had two children, Shirley and David. Den was made Deputy Head of the Boys' Prep at the end of 1968 and held this position when he died of illness in 1999. The Boys' Prep Quad is named after Den. He contributed so very much to the school and was a well liked teacher. Den's son David was a pupil at both the Boys' Prep and the Boys' College.

#### DAVID MERVIN STAFFORD

01 April 1944 – 15 April 2000 Our life and soul Forever in our hearts Love you always – Marilyn, Brandon, Michael

David was the father of Brandon and Michael, both pupils at the Boys' College. He died of illness at the age of 56.

#### RAYMOND GEORGE BRADLEY

16 July 1912 – 21 June 2001 "He lives forever in the hearts of those who loved him"

From the foundation of the Boys' College Ray was a member of the Parents' Association Committee and its Chairman in 1959 and, as such, became a member of Council in 1960. He served the College as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of Council. His son, Roston, was Dux Scholar and Head of the Dayboys in 1960. His grandson, Andrew, went through the school from Grade 1 to Matric. The close of 1994 saw the formal end of a long period of service by Ray Bradley. Ray had been present at the dedication of the Chapel in 1954 at which time the beautiful Good Samaritan window in the Chapel was donated in memory of his father. Ray was always supported by his wife Ruth Joan Bradley whose own contribution to the College was significant.

#### ROSTON D BRADLEY

19 January 1943 – 20 March 2015 Loving memories R.I.P Your Family



#### TREVOR ANTHONY WOODIWISS

14 November 1935 – 19 July 2002 Dearly beloved husband and father of Ethne, Sandy Angela and Michael. Forever in our hearts and thoughts.

Trevor was the father of Michael who was a pupil at the Boys' College. Michael predeceased him and is also remembered in the Garden. Trevor died at the age of 66.

HAPPY MEMORIES

#### BASIL "WORSIE" MALCOLM READ

23 April 1949 – 08 March 2004 Loved By His Family And Many Friends

Basil was fondly known as "Worsie" and was a pupil at the Boys' College. His father Basil was a Civil Engineer working in the construction industry and was a great benefactor of the Boys' College. The Sports Pavilion (more commonly known as the Boys' College tuckshop is named in his father's honour – The Basil Read Pavilion. Basil (Worsie) died tragically at the age of 54. His brother Graeme was also a pupil at the Boys' College.



#### DAVID EDWARD SCHONKNECHT

15 April 1986 – 24 September 2005 In loving memory of our courageous captain, loyal friend, caring brother and beloved son. You shall be in our hearts always.

David attended the Boys' College and matriculated in 2004. David died tragically at the age of 19 whilst he was a first year medical student at the University of the Witwatersrand Medical School.

#### JAMES MICHAEL NYE

1977 – 2006 We'll always remember your love of life and your constant smile. God bless you.

#### GEOFFREY HAROLD NYE

1944 – 2009 A loving father and great friend

#### **JOEY JOHNSON**

17 February 1990 - 4 April 2007

The Community of Darling and the School Communities of Schoonspruit and St Stithians Boys' College will always remember him.

"He will wipe away all tears from his eyes. There will be no death, no more grief or crying or pain." Revelations 21:4

#### SILUMKO NJENJE

18 JULY 1988 – 13 JULY 2008 A loving son and brother and an endeared Saints boy.

The Njenje family, headmaster, Saints staff, boys and Mountstephens.

#### **GAIL THATCHER**

30 June 1943 – 8 February2009 Our beloved sister, mother and grandmother. Rest in peace. You will be forever in our memories. Benneyworth, Elmes & Barnhoorn families

#### PETER SPRINGETT

1931 – 2008 Loving husband, father, grandfather and friend

#### ARNOLD PYNE-JAMES

1926 – 2008 A true One and All supporter

#### ERIC ROYSTON LIPSETT

1963 – 1984 Fondly known as "Loopy" to the boys he taught in the College. Loving husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather

Eric's ashes are buried in front of Mountstephens House.

#### MARK ANDREW BEADON RISELY

03 June 1960 – 15 March2009 "In stillness comes peace" An amazing husband and father Penny, Devin and Greg

#### ALAN CHAPMAN

3 May 1950 – 4 August 2009
To live in the hearts of those we love is never to die
I thank my God upon every remembrance of you.
Philippians 1:3

#### **CHRIS HEWITT**

04 October 1984 – 29 October 2008 He lived his faith and life to the full

Chris spent a large part of his formative years at St Stithians going right through from Grade 1 in 1990 to Matric in 2002. By all accounts, he had a very successful school career and benefited much from the education he received. He left Saints filled with confidence and with a desire to make a difference in the world. He was blessed with a life rich in purpose and crammed full of promise and when he put his mind to it, Chris could achieve anything. He had that unique and amazing ability to see beyond obstacles, always into the realm of possibilities. Chris was restless, living a super charged existence and this enabled him to achieve much as he pursued every dream and ambition. Chris was unsure of which career path to follow and so chose to study his LLB by correspondence as he explored the various job opportunities that excited him:

- A radio producer at 702, notably on David O'Sullivan's show but also occasionally on John Robbie's show 2003-2004.
- Rugby writer for Highbury working on Keo's website as well as writing for SA Rugby and SA Cricket magazines 2005-2006.
- Becoming the chief rugby writer for Sports Illustrated in a freelance capacity 2007-2008.
- Youth pastor for St. Andrew's Anglican Church in Newlands Cape Town and music group (guitar and drums).
- Ministering to young cancer sufferers at Constantiaberg Hospital and at an AIDS Clinic in Khayalitsha.
- Communications Manager for the Springbok Rugby Team May – Oct 2008.
- Press and Marketing Manager of the band PLUSH, including an overseas tour to the UK with the group.
- Training for his private pilot's licence out of Lanseria – Oct 08.

Flying was his passion, he was doing what he loved and he had made up his mind to combine commercial flying with fictional writing as his long-term career. He is much loved and very sadly missed by his parents, Bev and Garth, his sister, Jen and his family and friends.

#### SITESHAN CHETTY

19 March 1988 – 08 August 2009 Matriculated In 2005 "God has you in his keeping, we have you in our hearts" With love the Chetty family

Siteshan Chetty passed away as a result of a car accident on the 8 August 2009. Siteshan was a kind and gentle soul, always willing to help others and give them advice. He loved to have a good time with both friends and family. Siteshan was very intelligent and had no problems being accepted at St Stithians Boys' College. He loved being a student here and enjoyed playing hockey for the school, being a part of Krige House – meeting all the wonderful students. At the time of his passing he was studying for a degree in civil engineering, attaining distinctions with ease.

Siteshan was a careful driver which made it all the more shocking for our family to receive the news of his death in a car accident – though he was not the driver.

We would like to thank St Stithians for conducting this ceremony in memory of Siteshan's life and for the support given to us. Siteshan will never be forgotten and our memories and love will live on forever through his mother, Sally Chetty, father, Bazil Chetty, sister, Naveshnee Mandrie and her husband, Kumaran Mandrie.

#### ANDRE GUY LENFERNA DE LA MOTTE

1969 - 2006

A pupil at the school from 1976 to 1987 In loving memory of our beloved son, brother and friend

#### BRIAN GWYNN MULLIN

08 November 1934 – 04 November 2009 Bursar at St Stithians from 1992 to 1998 Beloved husband and father Always in our thoughts



#### DAVID ZIPP

24 October 1986 - 31 March 2010 "Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because, when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him."

*James* 1:12

TILL WE MEET AGAIN

#### IAN STUART WHITE

05 February 1947 – 24 August 2010 Here their ship once anchored

Ian was a boarder in Mountstephens from 1960 to 1965. Popular with all who new him, Ian had the knack of making friends wherever he went. At school he took part in everything (whether he came last in the Interhouse Gala races or not), and was enthusiastic about all school events. He was a member of the cast in more than one school play and was official scorer for the 1st Cricket XI for two years. Ian received a Merit Award (tie) for his many and selfless endeavours.

After completing his military service Ian was articled to a firm of accountants in Rustenburg and subsequently moved to Durban in 1975 where he soon found his niche in Anglo Vaal doing internal auditing until the Durban operation was closed down. Ian opted to stay in KZN and did a stint at Natal University, Pietermaritzburg Campus, after which he worked as a consultant and travelled

widely in KZN, Mozambique, Swaziland, and Zambia.

Latterly Ian was involved with local government initiatives to improve the working standards in various municipalities, and was working as Chief Financial Officer for the Kwasani Municipality when he was struck down by cancer in July, 2011. He was an active member of the Institute of Internal Auditors, SA, and served on the committee of his local branch. Ian never married. A plaque designed by Ian in memory of his brother and his parents was placed on the rear wall of the chapel after his death.

#### **COLIN BRIAN WHITE**

09 September 1950 - 01 January 1994

Colin was a boarder in Mountstephens from 1963 to 1968. A Prefect, member of the 12 Club, prop forward in the 1st Rugby XV for three years and a very reasonable cricketer, held in high regard by staff and boys alike. On first seeing the school, before any decision had been made about where he and his elder brother, Ian, would be educated, Colin stated simply, "This is my school". Colin received the Old Mutual watch for Best All-rounder in the college in his Matric year. After school and military service he embarked on a Civil Engineering degree at UCT. He then returned to Johannesburg and was with SM Goldstein for many years, latterly a member of the Board. After many years of



surgeries and radiation therapy Colin had to step back from fulltime employment much against his will, and succumbed to cancer after a valiant battle against the disease. Colin was married to Chris, an anaesthesiologist.

#### TOMMY GENTLES

31 May 1934 - 29 June 2011

Tommy was a parent at the College and a Rugby Springbok in his youth. Dearly loved by his family

#### **ASHLEY DOUGLAS**

1973 – 1991 The wind beneath our wings

#### ROSANNE DEVEREAUX FLETCHER

13 August1982 – 11 May 2004 Founder pupil of St Stithians Girls' College Class of 2000

Precious daughter of David and June and sister to Lynton.

#### **GARY KEITH LOUW**

22 September 1958 – 16 March 2012 "A dad like no other" Much love, Veronica, Michaela and Declan

#### SHEILA HENNING

13 January 1938 - 15 February 2013

Wife of Mark Henning, the third Headmaster of the Boys' College 1968 – 1988. Mother of Roger and Peter (who attended the Boys' College) and Tessa. Tessa is married to Michael Hellens and their sons, Andrew and Craig (Mark and Sheila's grandsons) attend the Boys' College and daughters Tamlyn and Candice attended the Girls' College.

#### PHAKAMA "PHAKS" NDLOVU

17 March 1995 - 06 May 2013
Will always be remembered
by his family, friends and teachers
and by St Stithians College
"In the rising of the sun and its going down,
we will remember him"

#### ANDREW RICHARDSON

23 June 1961 – 13 July 2013 A man of integrity Adored husband of Eugenie, Wonderful father of Neil and James. Treasured son, brother and friend. Loved beyond words – missed beyond measure.

#### ADAM EDWARD URDANG

03 August 1960 - 12 October 2001

A true gentleman who inspired and touched the hearts of his loving wife, Karen, children, Lauren and Grant, parents, brothers, family and friends. Rest in peace darling Adam. Served as Chairman of the Old Stithian Association.

#### **GORDON JAMES PARKER**

26 July 1968 – 27 July 2012 Beloved father, husband, son, brother and friend You may be out of our sight but you will always be in our hearts Love you always

#### **ELSA NOLTE**

13 August 1943 – 08 September 2014 Saints Mum THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

#### LETHABO PATRICIA CHABA

05 December 1997 - 18 May 2012

Your beautiful soul will always be in our hearts and minds. You will always have a special place in our hearts.

#### CLIVE BRADFORD

20 March 1939 - 29 August 1999

Beloved husband and father of Elean, Andrew and Philip. Always in our hearts and thoughts.

#### **IUNE GOSLIN**

29 June 1934 – 11 May 2010 Beloved Mother "i carry your heart with me (i carry it in my heart) i am never without it (anywhere i go you go, my dear; and whatever is done

by only me is your doing, my darling)"

- ee cummings



June was the mother of Bev Johnson, long time PA to David Wylde and Stephen Lowry; and later The St Stithians Foundation Director in charge of Thandulwazi and the Saints Endowment Fund.

#### DEREK BRADFORD

20 March 1939 - 01 September 2005

Beloved husband of Irene and father of Garth and Bruce. Gone but not forgotten.

#### **JANNES SCHEEPERS**

01 July 1992 – 18 October 2015 Beloved son, brother, cousin, friend and aviator

Once you have tasted flight, You will forever walk the earth With your eyes turned skyward. For there you have been and there you will always long to return.

#### TARYN KIM McASLIN

01 September 1972 – 18 July 2015 Beloved wife of Clinton and mother of Daniel, Oliver and Louis

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." - 2 *Timothy 4:7* 

#### LINDA ELAINE PIRES

04 April 1951 - 28 December 2015 Beloved Mom, Yaya and Mother-in-law You were brave and endured so much. Thank you for sacrificing so much for us. We love and miss you terribly but we know you are always with us.



#### NEIL HOWARD SCHROENN

25 January 1971 - 24 November 2012 A loving Son, Brother, Husband & Father

"Nothing can seperate us from the love of God." – Romans 9 vs 38 - 39

#### CHARLES WILLIAM TRUBSHAW

17 April 1936 - 12 March 2015

"My sword I give to him that shall succeed me in my pilgrimage, and my courage and skill to him that can get it. My marks and scars I carry with me, to be a witness for me that I have fought His battles who will now be my rewarder. So he passed over, and all the trumpets sounded for him on the other side."

#### ROBERT KELLGREN BURNS WYLDE

25 June 1976 – 30 August 2016 Beloved son, brother, uncle and godfather

"His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him, that nature might stand up and say to all the world, this was a man." – *William Shakespeare* 

#### CLEOPATRA RUTENDO GONDO

06 November 1976 - 25 August 2017
Wife and love to Michael and
mother to Jackson, Ethan and Noah.
Sadly missed and will always be remembered.
I love you through life and death.
You are my love, Michael.

#### MARK BURTON BURGESS

16 June 1964 – 8 May 2008 All is well. Nothing is hurt; nothing is lost. One brief moment and all will be as it was before. How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting when we meet again.

#### **GRAEME JOHN FREER**

03 April 1965 – 07 April 2015 Beloved son, father, brother, friend You will forever be in our hearts and by our side.

#### CYNTHIA MARGARET GRAY VAN TONDER

18 July 1952 – 31 August 2014 Beloved wife of Piet and mother of Jeanette, Michelle and Lauren.

I thank my God upon every remembrance of you. – *Phillippians 1:3* 

#### **GRAEME EDWIN JONES**

27 July 1972 - 06 August 2014 Our most adored son, husband, father and friend. "Your love will light our way".

#### ISOBEL ELRICK

30 January 1946 - 27 July 2018 Beloved Wife, Mum and Grannie The one we loved does not go away, She walks beside us everyday Forever in our hearts

#### CAMERON CONLON

29 April 1997 – 14 October 2016 Life is for the living

#### CLASS OF 1997

To our brothers fallen or lost, you will always be remembered for we are one and we are all.

#### KIALL EDSEL LEVENDALE

01 November 1990 - 26 October 2008
In loving memory of our beloved son and brother.
Taken too soon.
Forever and always in our hearts
- Da, Ma, Brandon and Fred

#### WALTER WALLACE MACFARLANE

01 September 1932 - 15 November 2006 Founding headmaster of the boys' preparatory school

#### ELIZABETH CAMILLA MACFARLANE

22 October 1936 - 04 April 2019 Loving wife and mother "...and they can no longer die, for they are like angels." Luke 20:36b

#### ANTHONY EDWARD BEETAR

23 April 1953 – 27 September 1997 In loving memory "Be though forever near me my master and my friend".

#### ALLAN LEE POST

10 August 1938 – 3 November 2017 We'll always remember your love and kindness. A loving husband and father. God bless you.

#### JOHN PETER CONRADIE

23 January 1974 – 2 December 2017 Beloved father, son, brother, uncle and friend. Rest in peace.

#### CHRISTOPHER IOHN RITSON

24 November 1968 – 6 May 2016 Died tragically in St Anton, Austria, surrounded by his family and his beloved mountains. Rest in peace Chris and may your memory live on forever.

#### WILL ELLIS

18 October 1935 – 11 May 2018 Beloved husband, father and mentor; a man dedicated to the boys of St Stithians – admired maths teacher, rugby coach, head of Mountstephens and co-founder of the Adventure Club. "Say not in grief 'he is no more' but in thankfulness that he was."

#### KIRSTY LEE WEBSTER

8 August 1989 - 16 January 2016 In loving memory of our daughter and sister Forever in our hearts precious angel Robin, Adele and Bradley

#### MPUMELELO BUKU

01 August 1989 – 17 January 2017 No treasure will ever replace you, your memory will never grow old. Our hearts are still broken. We wish we still had you. Sadly missed by all of us.

#### MICHAEL RICHARD (KIM) HUTTON

11 August 1962 – 11 July 2019
Taken too young. A most loving, energetic, generous and caring man, truly missed.
Rest in Peace Kimmy, until we meet again.
"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

#### DONNA FROST

30 October 1932 - 5 October 2019

#### TANYA SCHMIDT (née HOLZNER)

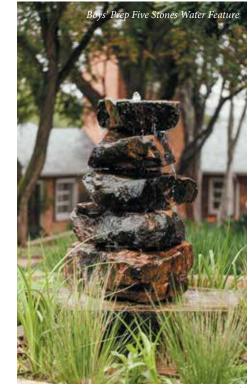
17 February 1969 - 27 October 2019
In loving memory of Tanya – soulmate;
wife; Mom; daughter; sister; aunt
and friend. 'Til we meet again.
"We can't always choose the music life plays for us,
but we can choose how we dance to it."

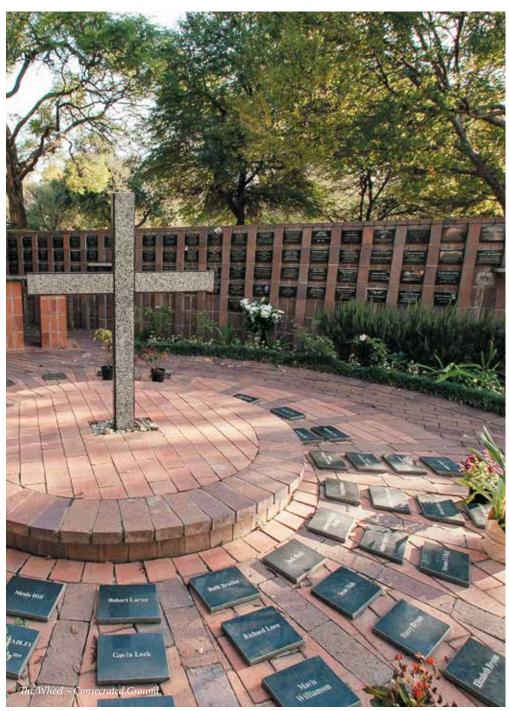
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#### CHRISTOPHER JOHNSON

17 December 1953 – 5 May 2020 Beloved husband and dad.

"Some day when we meet up yonder, We'll stroll hand in hand again, In a land that knows no parting, and No blue eyes crying in the rain." – Willie Nelson





# The Wheel Consecrated Ground

David Risely Jack Frost

Mark Risely Sean Dick

Nicolas Williams Harry Bryson

Tommy Gentles Elizabeth Bryson

Herbert Deighton Clegg Sheila Henning

Robert Kellgren Burns Wylde Aubrey Mary Clegg

> Andrew Pretorius Vernon L Clegg

Lance Pretorius Moira Maclean

Mike Roberts Craig Duffield

Clinton MacGregor Natalie Keenes

Mark Burton Burgess David McLean

Graeme Edwin Jones Charles William Trubshaw

Iain Holdsworth **Robert Anthony Elmes** 

Cheryl & Lance Elmes Branko Turanjanin

James Herertson Bram Wantenaar

> Nicola Hill Mark Rutter

Roston D Bradley Den Warren

Helen Dessing Gail Thatcher

> Lindsay Bennett JW Lundie

Robert Larter Dirk Parsons

Michael Woodiwiss Gavin Leck

Trevor Anthony Woodiwiss Paul van der Walt

> Ray Bradley David Stafford

Ruth Bradley June Goslin

Richard Lowe Geoffrey Harold Nye

Mavis Williamson Allan Lee Post

Anthony de Beer James Michael Nye

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# Campus Memorials

These Memorials are recorded in chronological order. They include free standing Memorials as well as Memorial Events.

#### 1965 - MEARS HALL

This hall has been erected by the St Stithians College Trust assisted by the Parents' Association in recognition of the devoted service given to the College by the first headmaster Mr. W.G.A. Mears and his wife from 1952 - 1964

#### 1972 - THE CARACAL LYNX

A tribute to the spirit of Collins House

This bronze statue was commissioned by the boys of Collins House of 1972. The Housemaster at that time was Rocco Erasmus who, along with Headmaster Mark Henning, agreed it was a fitting tribute to the spirit of Collins House. The statue was sculpted by Sheila van der Nest, mother of Collins boy, Tommy. The statue was unveiled by Anne Erasmus at a ceremony in 1972. A replica of this statue was commissioned by an admirer, with the boys' permission, and is sited at the Satara Camp in the Kruger Park.

#### 1980 - BAYTOPP FIELD

In loving memory of Lynn Baytopp who so significantly contributed to the building up of this College

The Baytopp memorial is a simple marble slab placed on a brick column on the north-west side of the main rugby field. On the slab is the outline of a man, unmistakeably Baytopp, leaning on a stick with his two dogs at his side. Lynn Baytopp was the estate manager of the Boys' College employed under the Headship of Wally Mears. He was the site

manager for Basil Read during the building of the College. When the building was completed he was employed in the capacity of Estate Manager. Lynn was a keen sportsman and took a great interest in the activities of the boys. He was a patient and caring man and well liked by his staff. Lynn started his employment in the College in 1953. After 27 years of dedicated service to the College he died on 6 July 1980. Baytopp Field is traditionally recognised as the field on which all first XV matches are played and it is a recognised honour to play rugby on Baytopp Field.

#### 1997 - MIKE ROBERTS MEMORIAL BENCH

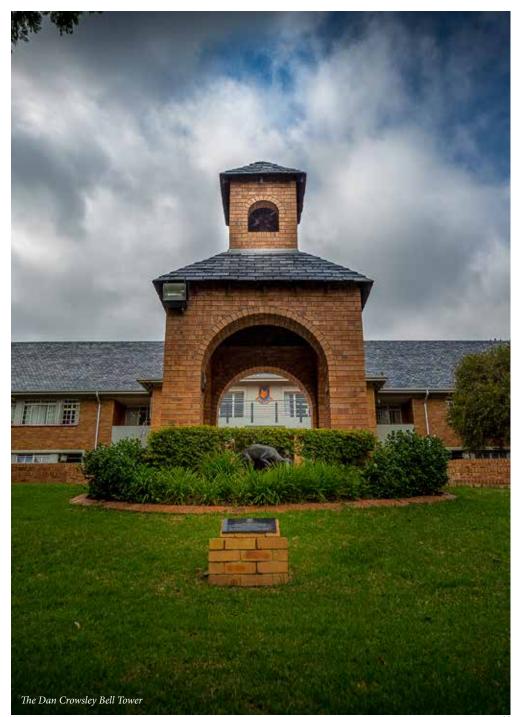
At the site of the Memorial Chapel is a bench with the following plaque:
This bench was donated by
Lesley Roberts and her sons
Brendan, Gareth and Wesley
In memory of
Michael Roberts
"In quietness & trust is your strength"
Isaiah 30 v 15

# 1998 - LINDSAY BENNETT MEMORIAL BENCH

In loving memory of Lindsay Bennett Founder pupil and friend 1981 – 1998

The Lindsay Bennett memorial bench is situated outside the Matric Leadership office at the Girls' College.

Lindsay Bennett's passing was the first recorded death of a pupil at the newly founded Girls' College. Lindsay moved from Pretoria Girls' High to become a constructive member of the new St Stithians Girls'



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College (at that time called the Collegiate). Lindsay contributed to the development of debating, drama, rowing and peer counselling in the newly founded College. Lindsay was a vibrant young girl with an enthusiasm for life and a value for friendship. Lindsay had spent the day enjoying the traditional Saints Rugby Festival in 1998 when she was tragically killed in a motor car accident on the way to a friend's house. She was 17 at the time of her death. "Ben" the Girls' College mascot is named in honour of Lindsay.

# 1991 – THE WALLY THOMPSON MEMORIAL LECTURE

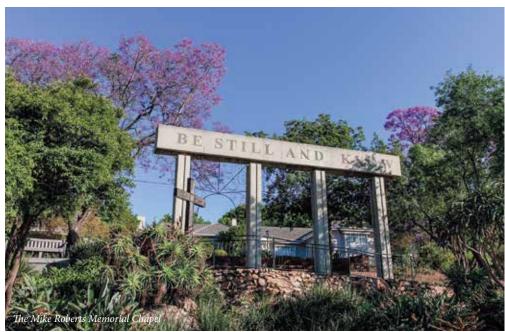
The Wally Thompson Memorial Lecture is an annual event in the Boys' College. Each year a presenter of high calibre is invited to talk to the boys on a topic of intellectual interest. This annual event takes place to honour the memory of Walter (Wally) Thompson.

Walter (Wally) Thompson was appointed by Mark Henning as an English teacher in the Boys' College. Wally was and exceptionally gifted and innovative teacher who inspired his pupils with both his dedication to his work and his insight into emotional and spiritual issues.

During the August holidays in 1991 Wally was leading a Boys' College hiking expedition in the Transkei when he died tragically after falling from the mountain side into the sea. His outstanding educational expertise is sadly missed.

# 1997 - THE MIKE ROBERTS MEMORIAL CHAPEL

The Mike Roberts Memorial Chapel stands on a rocky outcrop just south of the home of the Girls' College Head. It consists of four grey pillars connected by a plinth on which is inscribed "Be Still and Know". In front of this is a simple stone table and to the side a metal cross standing three metres high. Rev. Mike Roberts came to the Boys' College in 1994 to serve as Chaplain. Mike Roberts was a much loved pastor who stressed the importance of everyday life. He died of illness at the age of 55.



Mike had three sons at the Boys' College and his wife Lesley worked in a secretarial capacity at the Girls' College.

#### PHAKAMA "PHAKS" NDLOVU

17 March 1995 – 6 May 2013 "In the rising of the sun and its going down, we will remember him"

Phaks arrived at the Boys' College in grade 10, 2011 from Hilton College. He was a boarder in Collins House and a popular boy. He was selected as a Family Unit Head, and as a war cry leader, leading the support at the 2013 Easter Sports Festival. He was tragically shot in a shooting at his mother's business in May 2013.

He will always be remembered by his family, friends and teachers, and by St Stithians College.

#### 1999 - THE WARREN QUAD

Denys Reitz Warren Deputy Headmaster 1962 – 1999 "Everywhere we learn only from those whom we love" – Goethe

Den, as he was fondly known, started as a teacher in the Boys' Prep in January of 1962, arriving in Johannesburg from the Eastern Cape. He was married to Pat and they had two children, Shirley and David. Den was made Deputy Head of the Boys' Prep at the end of 1968 and was holding this position when he died of illness in 1999. The Boys' Prep Quad is named after Den. He contributed so very much to the school and was a well liked teacher. Den's son David was a pupil at both the Boys' Prep and the Boys' College.











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#### 2000 - LESLEY ELLIS MEMORIAL BENCH

22 August 1949 – 16 October 2000 "Well done good and faithful servant" Matthew 25: 23 In loving memory of Lesley Ellis

Lesley was mother to a son in the Boys' College and a daughter in the Girls' College. She contributed greatly to the College and worked hard in the Girls' College tuck shop. Lesley died of illness at the age of 51.

# 2001 - THE WAYNE JOUBERT OVAL

The Cricket Oval which is situated above the wetlands area is named in honour of Wayne Joubert. This field known as 'Everest' by those pupils who have taken the climb across the grounds to reach it. Wayne was appointed as Estate Manager in 2000, taking over this role from Cedric Binns. He was a wonderfully enthusiastic, energetic and ethical man who contributed greatly to the grounds of St Stithians. Wayne was tragically killed when he was struck by a car on Christmas Eve in 2001 when assisting a Saints parent who had been involved in a motor accident. This courageous and selfless act was symbolic of Wayne's nature. At the time of his death Wayne had two young sons in the Junior Prep. His wife Bridget joined the teaching staff of the Girls' Prep after he died.

#### THE BELL TOWER

The Bell Tower was erected by the Franklin, Griffiths, Houston and Yaldwyn families together with the school in honour of their daughters Peta, Kirsty, Sarah and Emma. The four girls became a part of the newly founded Girls' College when they left their old familiar schools to come together as Grade 10 pupils at the new Girls' College in 1996. The girls became a part of a grade group which gelled well socially and in which deep friendships were forged. Peta, Kirsty, Sarah and Emma matriculated together in 1998. They were all engaged in their

tertiary studies in Cape Town when they were tragically killed in a motor accident in 2001.

The Bell Tower is a beautiful architectural structure consisting of four pillars, which represent each of the girls. The pillars support the Friendship Bell which is intended to portray friendship, support and unity. A beautiful circular marble slab containing inscriptions honouring the girls forms the base of the memorial.

It is recognised that there is a potential for negative social cultural practices to infiltrate school communities and the parents of the four girls wanted to convey to the community the reality of the very special friendship between the girls who are honoured in this memorial. Under the Headship of Ivanka Acquisto, the ethos of placing great value on friendship, interpersonal relationships and peer support has been symbolised by the ritual use of the Friendship Bell. Current Grade 8 pupils each have an opportunity to ring the bell at the start of the school day and Matric pupils leaving the Girls' College will each take a turn to ring the bell to mark their departure from the Girls' College.

# MEMORIAL PLAQUES

#### PETA FRANKLIN

6 May 1981 - 26 August 2001

Always in our hearts & minds Mom, Dad, Kim, Zane & Lisa

#### KIRSTY SAMANTHA GRIFFITHS

21 May 1981 - 26 August 2001

Our precious darling beautiful daughter, Sister and granddaughter We miss you so much You will always be in our hearts We love you forever Mom, Dad, Dylan, Courtney, Nanna and Pappa

#### SARAH ALEXANDRA HOUSTON

27 May 1981 – 26 August 2001 Dearly beloved daughter, sister and friend

#### **EMMA YALDWYN**

1 March 1980 – 26 August 2001 Most precious darling daughter and sister of Rod, Liz and Jamie. 'Till we are together again in heaven. The families who donated the Bell Tower to the Girls' College have indicated that they would like memorial plaques to be erected on the memorial to honour pupils of the Girls' College who pass away. The Bell Tower is not consecrated and is not suitable for the burial of ashes.

A FRIEND LOVES AT ALL TIMES PROVERBS 17:17 THE FRIENDSHIP BELL "All things bright & beautiful"

#### ROSANNE DEVEREAUX FLETCHER

13 August 1982 – 11 May 2004 Precious Daughter Of David And June And Sister To Lynton Always Our Rose

Founder Pupil of St Stithians Girls' College Class of 2000. Rosanne was a Founder pupil of the Girls' College and matriculated in the year 2000. She died tragically in a motor accident at the age of 21. Outgoing and creative, Rosanne was also a member of the Rowing team throughout her school years. Her brother Lynton was a pupil in the Boys' College

and matriculated in 2004.

Rosanne was a compassionate person who always made time for others whilst living life to the full and is sorely missed by all who knew her.

# 2003 - THE GUGULETHO NHLEKO SUNDIAL

"If tears could build a stairway And heartache make a lane I'd walk right up to heaven And bring you back again." (Anon) Grade 8s 2003

The Guguletho Nhleko sundial is situated in the Girls' College quadrangle and was donated by the Grade 8 class of 2003 in memory of 'Gugu'. Gugu, as she was fondly known, was born on the 21 June 1989 and died of illness on 23 January 2003. Gugu was a 13 year old Grade 8 pupil at the time of her death.



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#### 2004 - DAN CROWSLEY BELL TOWER

Daniel Jack Crowsley 06 June 1987 – 03 May 2004 Larger Than Life

DEVOTED COLLINS HOUSE AND ST STITHIANS SCHOLAR.

The Dan Crowsley Bell Tower is situated on the sloping lawns in front of Collins House in the Boys' College. It was donated to the College by Phil and Pam Crowsley, Dan's parents. Dan's sister, Amy, matriculated at the Girls' College in 2006. It is an aesthetically brilliant structure which was designed by a close friend of the family, John Whittaker, who was an architect. Sadly John died of illness a few months after Dan's Memorial was completed. The antique slave bell, which was donated to Collins House by the Gilmour family, is housed under a slate roof that matches the original buildings of the Boys' College. Dan's Bell Tower was consecrated by the Rev Dirk van Doorene.

Dan was a Collins House boarder and a very outgoing and energetic young man. He was an excellent sportsman doing particularly well in water polo and rugby. Dan's enthusiasm for life was often expressed as he sang opera in the shower in Collins House and his absence was sorely felt by his peers after his death. Dan died tragically on a weekend away from the family in a shooting accident in the Magaliesberg at the age of 16. Phil and Pam Crowsley, Dan's parents, have contributed greatly to the College. Pam is currently involved in the organisation "Gun Free South Africa" with a strong motivation to curtail the many tragic deaths that take place in South Africa as a result of poor control of guns.

# 2010 – ZENANI ZANETHEMBA NOMASONTO MANDELA MEMORIAL PLAQUE IN THE GIRLS' PREP QUAD

09 June 1997 - 11 June 2010 "In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me." John 16 v 16

# 2014 - INGRID WUSTROW'S GARDEN 12 October 1962 - 08 March 2014

"Go in peace, go in love, finding joy in each other. Go in peace, go in love, in Christ we are sister and brother. Led by His spirit, His strength each day, light for the way together. Go in peace, go in love, may God be with us forever."

Dedicated teacher, creative storyteller and friend to us all.

# 2016 – DIRK PARSONS & PETER SPRINGETT BENCH

This wooden bench is located on the St Stithians dam wall overlooking the water.

# 2016 – ELSA AND CAREL NOLTE CYCAD GARDEN

With Gratitude (28th October 2016)
"Let the earth sprout plants with seed..."
Genesis 1:11

The cycads in the Junior Prep gateway are donated in memory of Elsa Nolte (1943 – 2014).

# 2016 – STUART ALEXANDER SKEEN BENCHES AND TREES

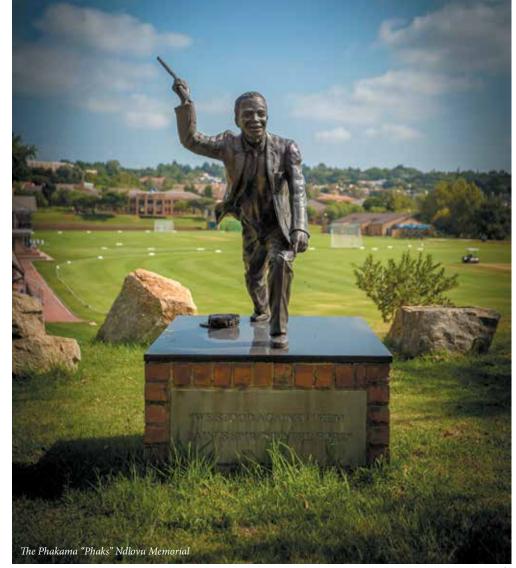
The 3 Erythrina wild coral trees planted on the cheetah slopes and 2 benches in the Garden of Remembrance were donated by the Skeen family in memory of Stuart Skeen.



# 2017 - THE RIDGWAY FIELD MEMORIAL PLAQUE

#### THE RIDGWAY FIELD

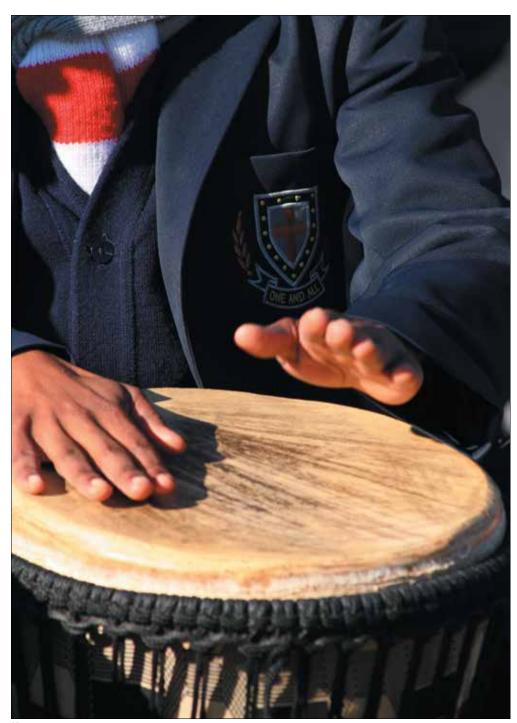
This field is named in honour of John C. W. Ridgway (affectionately known as J.R) who served "Saints" so loyally as a cricket coach and mentor from 1978 - 1990.



You will forever remain in our hearts.

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# Memorial Prizes and Awards

These Memorials and Awards are recorded in alphabetical order.

# BOYS' COLLEGE

#### IAN ANDERSON

Memorial Prize for the Matric Boy Consistently
Displaying the Greatest Integrity

Ian matriculated at the Boys' College in 1981. Ian was a talented sportsman but his rugby career came to an end after his U15 year when he was badly concussed on the cricket field. Ian started coaching rugby and he received the Transvaal Union Referees' Certificate before he matriculated. Ian qualified as an accountant and lectured Economics to the Sixth Form students at the College. Ian became a world class rugby referee with good international experience and was rated the Number One referee in South Africa in 1994. At this time Ian had already refereed a number of games in the qualifying rounds of the Rugby World Cup. Ian was tragically killed in a motor car accident in 1994 whilst traveling back from KwaZulu-Natal where he had attended the wedding of close friends. Ian's integrity was recognized by all of those who were privileged to work with him and this was reflected in the choice of his memorial award. Ian's younger brother, David, has a son in the Boys' Prep.

#### **SEAN DICK**

Memorial Prize for the Matric Boy who has Rendered Outstanding Service to the Boys' College over a Number of Years

Sean is known as the 'legend of '93' amongst his peers. Sean was a pupil in the Boys' College, a College Prefect and a superb athlete and sportsman. Sean was a great mentor to the younger boys and contributed greatly to the College. He died tragically in 1994 during his first year of B.Comm

studies at the University of Pietermaritzburg. His mother, Merle, was the National Chairperson of the Compassionate Friends of South Africa and has worked tirelessly to assist parents who have lost their children.

# MAC FAKUDZE (MAQHAWE) Memorial Trophy for Diving

Maghawe Fakudze was fondly known as 'Little Mac". He was a boarder in Mt Stephens House and was well liked by his peers. He was born in 1984 and died tragically in 1999 during his Grade 9 year in a motor car accident when returning from a diving competition in Durban. Killed in the same accident were a girl from Roedean School and a girl from Sandringham High School. The memorial trophy depicts a diver standing on a diving board and this trophy is replicated in marble on his tombstone which is in Fourways Memorial Park where Little Mac is buried. At the time of his death, Sue MacKenzie, Boys' College Psychologist, took a number of boarders to pay their respects to Dudu Fakudze, Mac's mother, at his home. The boys asked the Elders permission to carry Mac's coffin into his mother's bedroom. Dudu was exiled in Swaziland during the Apartheid years and was a part of the struggle for freedom. Zenani Dlamini-Mandela, Nelson Mandela's daughter, who was present at the home, remarked that she did not think she would ever have lived to see white boys crying so heartbrokenly for a black boy. The boys sang the Saints Warcry at Mac's home with the permission of the Elders and it was an uplifting occasion which forged the sense of Ubuntu which has since grown so strongly in the College.

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#### **COLIN GILES**

# Memorial Prize for Natural Science in Grade 9

Colin was a pupil in the Boys' College and his death was one of the first recorded in the College. His death is listed under Wally Mears' section, Tabula in Memorium - Sons of the School, in his book. The Early History of St Stithians College. Colin's memorial plaque was the first to be placed in the Garden. Colin was died tragically in 1964 whilst he was in Grade 9. Science was Colin's great passion.

#### STEPHEN HOARE

# Memorial Prize for the Most Improved Rowing Crew

Stephen was a pupil at the Boys' College and a talented oarsman.

Jeremy Harvard – Matric 1980 - contributed the following information:

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#### KNOWLES FAMILY AWARD

# For the top Grade 12 History Student

Awarded in memory of Eric Knowles, father of the Head of the Boys' College, David Knowles (2007 - 2017). Eric Knowles was a keen student of history, and inspired his son's passion for history. Eric Knowles passed away in 2011 after a long battle with cancer.

#### RICHARD LOWE

#### Memorial Prize for Initiative in Business

Richard was a boarder in Collins House. He was fondly known by his peers as Pixie. Richard was tragically killed in a motorbike accident during his Matric year in 1979.

#### MAC NICOL

# The Mac Nicol Prize for Creativity

Mac Nicol was a pupil in the Boys' College and a very talented artist. The interpretation of 'creativity' was broadened over the years and the memorial trophy has been awarded to boys excelling in a number of creative activities. The memorial trophy was first awarded in 1971.

#### KYLE MACQUET

The Kyle Macquet Trophy for the Winner of the Cricket Match between St Stithians Boys' College and Northcliff High School

Kyle came to Saints from Northcliff High at the start of his Grade 10 year. He was a vibrant outgoing boy and had only been at the College for three weeks at the time of his death at the age of 15. Kyle died from an aberrant arrhythmia of the heart whilst practicing in the cricket nets on 7 February 2002.

#### MOEKETSI MOTHOBI

Young Achiever Floating Trophy for Outstanding Sporting Ability in a Boy aged 15 Years

Moeketsi was a pupil in the Boys' College and died of chronic illness whilst in Grade 8, 2001.

#### ANDREW PRETORIUS

Memorial Prize for the Most Improved Cricketer in the 1st X1

Andrew was a pupil at the Boys' College. He was a fine sportsman and a particularly good bowler. He played both Nuffield Cricket and Craven Week Rugby. Andrew was tragically killed in a shooting incident in 1993.

#### **DOUGLAS SOBEY**

Memorial Prize for the Individual who has done the Most to Inspire His House

Douglas was a pupil in the Boys' College and was recognized to be a wonderful young man. He was tragically killed in a hang gliding accident.

#### NORMAN TICKTON

Memorial Trophy for Outstanding Sporting Ability in a Boy aged 15 Years or Younger

Norman was a pupil at the Boys' College and an outstanding sportsman. He matriculated from the Boys' College in 1964. He died of cancer at the age of 26 in 1973.









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#### ANDREW WHITEBREAD

Memorial Prize for Versatility and Proficiency in the Verbal Arts in Grade 11

Andrew was a pupil at the Boys' College and during his Grade 11 year was tragically killed in a light aircraft crash when leaving Plettenberg Bay. Both Andrew's parents and his domestic worker were killed with him. Andrew's sister, Lauren, did not fly back to Johannesburg with the family as she was studying at the University of Cape Town. She is married and currently living in London.

#### **BENJI MAGOWAN**

Memorial Prize for Drama

Although small in stature, Benji was one of the Boys' College's "larger than life" characters, and will be remembered for his many performances on the stage and his love of all things pertaining to the Arts.

He is remembered with much love and affection by those of us privileged to have known him, especially his parents Dermot Magowan and Jill Hunter, his brothers Nick and Daniel, and sister Harriet.

#### PETER WATERSON

Memorial Trophy to be awarded to the Gr12 boy who, whilst representing the school in a first team, embodies all the traits of true sportsmanship and camaraderie.

Peter Waterson attended St Stithians College from 1962 to 1968. He played first team tennis,

rugby, cricket and athletics and was both the rugby and tennis captain and vice-captain for cricket. After school he played rugby for the then Natal and Transvaal.

He was the first student to be awarded the blue honours blazer for sport. He later donated his blazer back to the school in 2017.

Peter passed away in 2018.



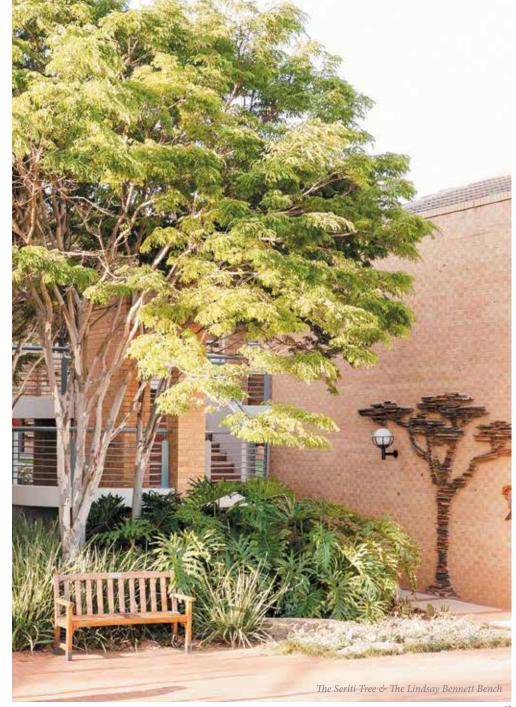
# GIRLS' COLLEGE

The Girls' College currently has only one Memorial Award.

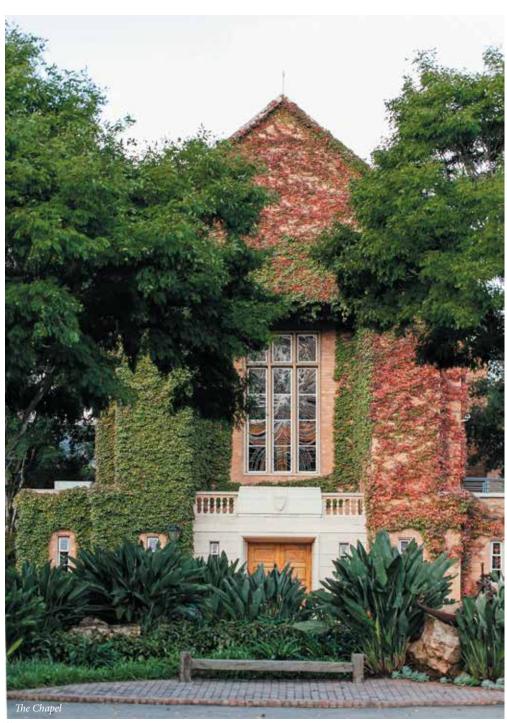
#### THE LINDSAY BENNETT AWARD

To be awarded to a girl who lives life to the full, contributes to the community and instinctively puts others before herself.

Lindsay Bennett's passing was the first recorded death of a pupil at the newly founded Girls' College. Lindsay moved from Pretoria Girls' High to become a constructive member of the newly founded St Stithians Girls' College (at that time called the Collegiate). She contributed to the development of debating, drama, rowing and peer counselling in the newly founded College. Lindsay was a vibrant young girl with an enthusiasm for life and a value for friendship. She had spent the day enjoying the traditional Saints Rugby Festival in 1998 when she was tragically killed in a motor car accident on the way to a friend's house. She was 17 at the time of her death. "Ben" the Girls' College mascot is named in honour of Lindsay Bennett.



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# Chapel Memorials

The Chapel is the fulcrum of the College and is a consecrated building. Memorials in the Chapel take the form of stained glass windows, pews and plaques. Pupils from all five schools making up the College attend services in the Chapel on a regular basis.

# **PLAQUES**

# REV MICHAEL NORTLING WALDECK ROBERTS

05 November 1941 – 13 August 1997 St Stithians Chaplain 1994 – 1997

"They that wait upon the Lord shall renew Their strength; they shall mount up with wings As eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they

Will walk and not be faint". Isaiah 40 v31 KJV

Rev. Mike Roberts came to the Boys' College in 1994 to serve as Chaplain. Mike Roberts was a much loved pastor who stressed the importance of everyday life. He died of illness at the age of 55. Mike had three sons at the Boys' College and his wife Lesley worked in a secretarial capacity at the Girls' College. A plaque dedicated to the memory of Mike Roberts is attached to the Mike Roberts Memorial Chapel which stands above the Girls' College car park. The words "Be Still and Know" are inscribed on the plinth and are clearly visible from many parts of the College. There is also a plaque in the Chapel dedicated to the memory of Rev. Mike Roberts.

# PULPIT

#### WILLIAM McEWAN

In Memory Of The Late WILLIAM MCEWAN 11Th March 1877 – 28Th January 1942

# LECTERN

# **BUILT BY DON JONES**

Head of Mathematics Presented to the School on Founders Day 1987

# CHAPEL CHAIRS

#### MRS N. MEARS

The Boys of St Stithians College remember the life and example of Mrs N. Mears 3 September 1959 With gratitude and affection

Nan Mears was the wife of the first Headmaster of the Boys' College, W.G.A. Mears. The Nan Mears chair is traditionally the seat of the Headmaster in the Boys' College Chapel.

### **GEORGE WILLIAM JEFFERAY**

In Memory of GEORGE WILLIAM JEFFERAY An old boy of the college Who died in April 1956



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# SIDE PEWS

# **JOHN WINSTON LUNDIE**

In Memory of JOHN WINSTON LUNDIE 1941 – 1992 From his loving family

#### GRANT AND MARK FINNEMORE

In Appreciation Of Grant and Mark Finnemore

Grant and Mark were both pupils at the Boys' College. Grant matriculated in 1992 and Mark in 1993. They both contributed greatly to the College. Mark tragically died as a result of injuries he sustained while trying to fight a blaze that threatened his farm. Mark is remembered by his wife, Karen, parents Bruce and Margie, and Grant and Ania.

#### THE HALL FAMILY

In Appreciation Of Twelve Happy Years 1976 - 1987

Colin and Di Hall are the parents of Steven Hall who was a pupil in the Boys' College. Colin was active in the Parents' Association and served on the College Council for many years. He was Chairman of the 1st Easter Rugby Festival in 1984.

#### THE BASIL READ FAMILY

Happy Memories From The Basil Read Family 1955 – 1967

Basil Read was a Civil Engineer working in the construction industry and was a great benefactor of the Boys' College. The Sports Pavilion, more commonly known as the Boys' College tuckshop

is named in his honour – The Basil Read Pavilion. His wife and sons were active members of the Saints community.

#### THE BRADLEY FAMILY

Cherished Memories Bradley Family Since 1954

From the foundation of the Boys' College Ray was a member of the Parents' Association Committee and its Chairman in 1959 and, as such, became a member of Council in 1960. He served the College as Vice-Chairman and Chairman of Council. His son, Roston, was Dux Scholar and Head of the Dayboys in 1960. His grandson, Andrew, went through the school from Grade 1 to Matric.

The close of 1994 saw the formal end of a long period of service by Ray Bradley. Ray had been present at the dedication of the Chapel in 1954 at which time the beautiful Good Samaritan window in the Chapel was donated in memory of his father. Ray was always supported by his wife Ruth Joan Bradley whose own contribution to the College was significant.

# THE TWO PLAQUES ON THE BACK WALL

#### WALLACE THOMPSON

In Loving Memory Of Wallace Thompson 12 August 1991 – Aged 34 years Teacher, Friend And Wise Counsellor

Walter (Wally) Thompson was appointed by Mark Henning as an English teacher in the Boys' College. Wally was and exceptionally gifted and innovative teacher who inspired his pupils with both his dedication to his work and his insight into emotional and spiritual issues. During the August holidays in 1991 Wally was leading a Boys'

College hiking expedition in the Transkei when he died tragically after falling from the mountain side into the sea. His outstanding educational expertise is sadly missed. A memorial lecture is held every year in his memory.

# RICHARD (PIXIE) LOWE

22 October 1979 In Memory Of A Great Friend From Matrics 1979

Richard died tragically in a motorbike accident at the age of 18. He was a Matric boarder in Collins House at the time of the accident. Richard's nickname was Pixie and he has become something of a legend amongst the Collins House boarders. A documentary was produced by the Boys College Movie Makers Club in 2015.

# HEAD GIRL / HEAD BOY HONOURS BOARD

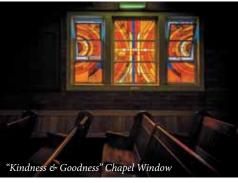
# **RUTH JOAN BRADLEY**

In Loving Memory Of Ruth Joan Bradley 25 May 1913 – 15 May 1991 Ray, Ross, Gwen, Andrew, Heather And Colleen

#### RAYMOND GEORGE BRADLEY

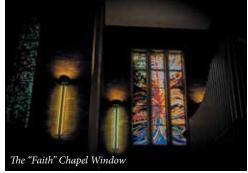
In Loving Memory Of Raymond George Bradley 16 July 1912 – 21 June 2001 Member Of Council 1960 – 1994 And Benefactor











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# PLAQUES IN THE UPSTAIRS GALLERY

**REV. MIKE ROBERTS** 

Silence In Chapel "Be Still And Know That I Am God" Psalm 46:10

In memory of the late Rev. Mike Roberts. Donated by those who first gazed down upon the chapel from this wonderful gallery and realising their responsibility and duty as role models, acted accordingly.

Matrics of 1998

# CHAPEL WINDOWS

#### **GOOD SAMARITAN**

Good Samaritan Sacred To The Memory Of W.J. Bradley 1960

# THE EYE OF GOD (1)

In Memory Of Michael And Averil Curtis Foundation Scholar, St Stithians Rodgers Estancia El Remo Argentina

#### THE EYE OF GOD (2)

In Loving Memory Of
Michael Anthony Woodiwiss
1975 – 1986
St Stithians College
Tragically Killed 21 November 1986
Mike You Are Always With Us
Trevor And Ethne, Sandie, Angie
And All Your Friends

Michael was a pupil at the Boys' College and was an outstanding young man. He had just finished writing his Matric and was tragically killed in a motor car accident when the other vehicle jumped a red robot. His sister Sandy lectured to Post Matric students at the College.

#### **ACTING ON GOD'S WORD**

Austin Carter Mathematics 1968-1977 His Wife Muriel And Family Lovingly Remember One Who Believed, Loved And Lived God's Word

#### ACTING ON GOD'S WORD

(Upper Window)

Donated Through Parents' Association One And All Fair 1990

#### THE TWO SMALL BACK WINDOWS

Two windows donated in loving memory of Ashley Douglas 20 July 1973 - 12 January 1991 By his friends in the College

#### UN-NAMED UPPER CHAPEL WINDOWS

A Family Experience Of Lifelong Value Deeply Appreciated Steven, Diana And Colin Hall 1976 - 1987

#### **RIC BRUSCHI**

In Loving Memory Of Our Beloved Husband And Father Rosemary, Graeme And Colin

#### TWO WINDOWS

Donated Through The Parents' Association One And All Fair 1990 In Loving Memory Of Anthony (Zac) De Beer 18 May 1964 - 15 August 1984 The Wind Comes Up And The Sun Goes Away The Snow Falls Down And The Leaves Blow Away

Zac was a pupil at the Boys' College who died tragically at the age of 20.

#### STEPHEN HOARE

In Memory Of Stephen Hoare Pupil Of This School Born 5 October 1962 Killed in Action, 9 August 1982 From his Family our Joy

Stephen was a pupil at the Boys' College and a talented oarsman.

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#### FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT WINDOWS

#### **FAITH**

With Gratitude From The Wylde Family "There Are Three Things That Last Forever. Faith, Hope And Love." 1 Corinthians 13

David Wylde was Headmaster of the Boys' College from 1989-1999, and the first Rector of the College. His wife Ingrid was an actively supportive member of the community. David and Ingrid's children, Lucy, Emma, Robert and Charlotte all attended St Stithians College.

# FAITH (Upper Window)

Kindly Donated By The Artist Mr Paul Blomkamp In Loving Memory Of His Parents

# **FIDELITY**

Donated By Mr Murray Robertson In Appreciation Of His Parents

#### **GENTLENESS**

Donated In Memory Of Nicholas Williams By His Famiily, Friends And Boys Of Std 5 1981

# JOY

Donated In Loving Memory Of Hector Mathews 16 April 1903 – 17 June 1980 And Charlotte Eder Tupholme 7 August 1900 – 16 May 1981 By Their Family

#### KINDNESS AND GOODNESS

In Loving Memory David Ian Risely 12 April 1963 – 11 October 1983 His Love Has No End

#### LOVE

In Memory Of Anthony David De Beer From His Loving Parents Dave & Norma De Beer 1984

#### **PATIENCE**

In Memory Of Patricia Margaret Walker (née Campbell) From Her Loving Family

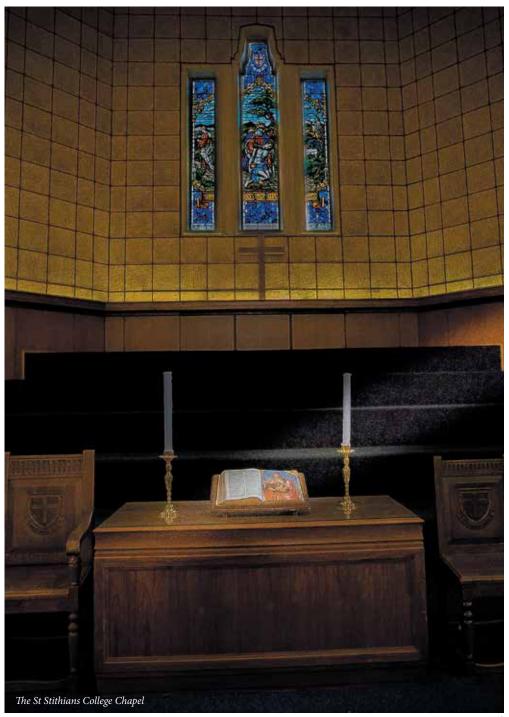
# PEACE

"The Lord Will Bless His People With Peace"
Ps 29
Margaret and Vernon Clegg
1962 – 1981

#### **SELF-CONTROL**

Donated by the Matric Class 1982







# Memories of "Saints"

This section is dedicated to those members of the Saints Community who have passed away. Some are formally remembered by means of a plaque or Memorial Structure and others not. Friends and loved ones are invited to bring to this work the stories of those special friends, colleagues and family members who have been such an important part of our Community and who are no longer with us.

# 1957 JOHN KEITH LITTLETON

According to Cliff Jackson, Boy and member of Council, John was the first pupil at the Boys' College to pass away after the College's foundation.

# 1957 C.H. LEAKE

Foundation Member of the Boys' College Council.

# 1958 RICHARD CRAVEN

Died tragically in a motor cycle accident.

# 1959 GEORGE WILLIAM JEFFERAY

Boys' College pupil.

# 1959 D.F. CORLETT

Foundation Member of Boys' College Council.

# 1961 WILLIAM RICHARD CRAVEN

Foundation Scholar - Boys' College.

# 1961 EDWIN MONTAGUE HARRIS

Foundation Staff member - Boys' College

# 1967 ALAN MARGAU

Alan was a pupil in the Boys' College when he was tragically killed in a light-aircraft accident. Other members of Alan's family were also killed and the only survivors were his mother and two year old brother who had not been traveling with Alan at the time of the accident.

# 1967 L.P. KENT

Foundation Member of Boys' College Council.

# 1967 JOHN MAIR

Foundation Scholar. Died of a heart attack aged 27 after playing a rugby match.

# 1967 JOHN KELLY

Foundation Scholar. Died of cancer.

# 1961 ANN M. DOEHRING

Foundation Staff member – Boys' College.

WALTER MEARS (c.1891 – 8th December 1975) and MRS NAN MEARS (c.1895 – 8th February 1959)

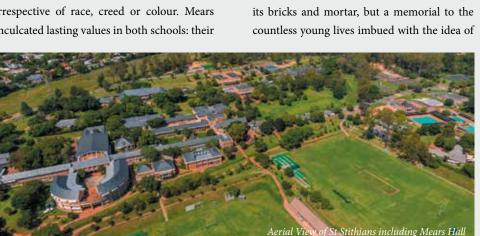
Founding Headmaster

On the retirement of Wally Mears, the second headmaster of the College, Steyn Krige, paid tribute to his predecessor and the founding head. The son of devout Methodist missionaries, Mears was educated in mission schools, Kingswood College and Rhodes and Cambridge universities. He distinguished himself in the academic sphere, played rugby and completed an epic 1000km trip on horseback from Grahamstown to Ixopo in 1911. Mears entered the teaching profession and, as headmaster, guided the establishment of not only one, but two great South African schools: Rondebosch Boys' High and St Stithians College. Mears was a strong believer in mankind being able to fill its destiny only in service to others and in the inalienable right of all men to be judged on their own merit alone, irrespective of race, creed or colour. Mears inculcated lasting values in both schools: their



alumni have served their country and fellow men accordingly through the impact that their school years had on their lives.

Mears came out of retirement to serve as St Stithians' founding head from 1953 to 1961. His aim was to get a new school into top gear in as short a time as possible which he achieved through faith, inspiration, sacrifice, wise guidance and restraint and without becoming a financial burden to anyone. St Stithians itself is a memorial to Wally Mears, not through its bricks and mortar, but a memorial to the countless young lives imbued with the idea of



making the world a better place for others. His ideals of selflessness; of justice and fair play towards all men; of honesty and integrity; of the sanctity of human life; and of service to all those in need of help were the foundation values on which the College is built. Founder pupils will remember fondly Mr Mears's "Old Man's Midnight Passage Drill" and his inimitable laugh.

Wally Mears was an inveterate tree planter in the early days of the College and his handiwork is all about us. The custom of yearly tree planting ceremonies by the Matrics and grade sevens began in Mears's time. It is fitting to remember that trees are not necessarily planted for ourselves but for those who come after us.

Mrs Nan Mears was an invaluable pioneer of the early years of the College. Her considerable experience of school life meant that she served in numerous roles as a nurse, matron, chef, supervisor of the estate and the newly planted gardens, and mother to the boarders; nursing the sick and comforting the homesick. She was greatly loved and is warmly remembered by the founder students.

A memorial service for Mrs Mears was held in the Chapel in February 1959 and conducted by the first chaplain, the Rev Vivian Harris.

A memorial service of thanksgiving for the life of Wally Mears was held in the Chapel on 8th February, 1976 and also conducted by Rev Harris.

# 1973 LLEWELLYN POWELL

02 November 1947 - 21 April 1973

Matriculated 1965 and died tragically in a motor cycle accident a couple of years after leaving school.

# 1978 CLIVE ASHFIELD

Foundation scholar 1957, died tragically in a fire. His son Grant was Headboy of the Boys' College in 1983.

# 1980's HUGH CRUDDAS

Founder member of the College.

# 1983 CLIVE ANDREWS

October 1955 - April 1983

Son of Athol and Reneé, and brother to Nigel. Clive Matriculated from St Stithians in 1972. He was tragically knocked down by a motorist when riding his motorbike in Cape Town and died at the age of 28. Forever in our hearts and thoughts, the Andrews family.

# 1984 ANTHONY DAVID ("ZAC") DE BEER 18 May 1964 - 15 August 1984

Anthony started in the Preparatory school in grade 1 and matriculated 12 years later with 2 distinctions. Played 1st XV Rugby and was a member of the Athletics team.

# 1984 GREG WOOD

Jeremy Harvard (Matric 1980) remembers his peer Greg Wood who was killed during an overland bike race in around 1984.

# 1987 GRANT WATERMANN

Died tragically in his Standard 6 year.

#### 1987

#### KEVIN BRADLEY IBBOTSON

25 July 1971 - 21 August 1987

Died tragically in a cycling accident. He was a keen oarsman representing the school and a competent triathlon competitor. He began his schooling at St Stithians in Grade 1.

#### 1991 ASHLEY DOUGLAS

Died tragically in a motor accident on his way back to the Boarding House (Collins).

# 2002 TONY (ANTHONY WALTER) LACEY-SMITH

Contribution by Mike Lacey-Smith.

"My brother Tony (Anthony Walter) Lacey-Smith passed away on the 8th of October 2002. He was a member of the founder class. Just before he died he was elected to the Southern Gauteng Golf Committee. He was a First Team Rugby player and Cricketer. (2001)

#### MICHAEL GUY SHORT

Michael was born in 1974 and attended both the Boys' Prep School and the Boys' College. He was a College Prefect and was awarded Academic Honours and Rowing Colours. Michael obtained a B.Comm Honours degree through Pietermaritzburg University in 1995. Michael was tragically killed in a cycling accident. At the time of his death he was training for the 2004 Olympics as a lightweight oarsman. Owing to his popularity approximately 100 people, including many Old Boys, gathered at the boat

house on the Thames in London where Michael had trained. His funeral service was held in Johannesburg.

# 2004 MONICA "MOLLY" THOMPSON

Molly was Matron of Collins House for eight years 1997-2004 and she lived the motto "Never Surrender". She was dearly loved by all whose lives she touched.

### 2005

#### EVAN LAWRENCE MCPHAIL

15 November 1970 - 28 June 2005

Husband of Mandy and father to Luke (Class of 2016) and James (Class of 2019).

Evan was passionate! He gave his all to God, his family and church. Sorely missed and fondly remembered by all those that had the privilege to call him a friend.

"Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46 vs 10

# 2006 RALPH IOHNSON

In an obituary honouring Ralph, Tim Gane, said the following:

"Ralph Johnson at the age of twenty – is dead – killed by heavy rocket fire in Afghanistan on August 1. In the five years we were at St Stithians College, we shared classes and all our rowing triumphs and disappointments. I knew him as a friend, a fierce competitor, a born leader, and an outstanding oarsman".

A news report stated:

The British Army has named South African born 2nd Lieutenant Ralph Johnson, 24, as one of the soldiers killed in an ambush on a British Army patrol in southern Afghanistan this week. Lieutenant Colonel Edwars Smyth-Osburn, of the Household Cavalry Regiment, told Sky News that Lt Johnson, "was leading from the front' when he died. He was brave, determined and thoroughly loyal to his soldiers and superiors. Particularly endearing was his devotion to his men and the time and effort he committed to them."

Ralph matriculated in 1999 is remembered by his parents Roger and Jane, and his brother John, Matric 1997.

# 2007 VICTORIA JEMMETT

Toria was School Secretary at the Boys' College from 1999-2007. She would go out of her way to help 'her' boys, calling them 'poppet'. Throughout her illness which she fought with great courage, she never lost her strong faith in her Lord.

# 2007 MASETLE KABELO MOHALE

"Mase" came to the Boys' College from St Andrew's College, Grahamstown, in 2006. He and his stepfather were both tragically killed in a motor car accident in October, 2007. Mase was a "larger than life" character who, in the short time he was a Saints boy, endeared himself to all with his wonderful comic and dramatic abilities.

# 2008 KEVIN BOTHA

29 December 1982 – 13 February 2008

Son of Lyn Botha, Sister of Lisa White (Botha), Brother of Grant Botha. Kevin was a loyal and trustworthy friend. He led by example and had great compassion for the underdog. He will also be remembered for his sporting prowess in both the pool and the rugby field. "We are still alive because the Lord's faithful love never ends." Lamentations 3:22-24.

#### 2008

# KUBENDHRAN RUNGASAMY NAIDOO

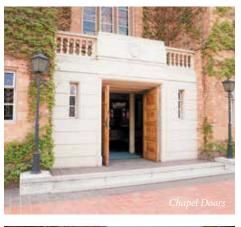
6 September 1974 – 2 May 2008

Kuben was a teacher at St Stithians Girls' College from January 2007 to May 2008; he was much admired and respected by both colleagues and pupils.

# 2008 BENII MAGOWAN

03 December 1980 - 26 June 2008

Although small in stature, Benji was one of the Boys' College's "larger than life" characters, and





will be remembered for his many performances on the stage and his love of all things pertaining to the Arts.

He is remembered with much love and affection by those of us privileged to have known him, especially his parents Dermot Magowan and Jill Hunter, his brothers Nick and Daniel, and sister Harriet.

# 2008 SILUMKO NJENJE

18 July 1988 – 13 July 2008

Martin Harrison paid tribute to Silumko at his funeral on 18 July which would have been "Slinky's" 18th birthday. Slinky was loyal to friends and family, no matter the circumstances and he never said a bad word about. He was a keen sportsman, particularly Rugby and Cricket, and he was awarded Cricket Colours.

# 2008

# KIALL EDSEL LEVENDALE

01November 1990 - 26 October 2008

Beloved Son of Edsel and Kanta, brother of Brandon. Kiall was born in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe and matriculated from St Stithians in 2007. He was involved in a car accident in Johannesburg in 2008 and passed away tragically one week before his 18th birthday.

Kiall was an outgoing, funny, hardworking, loving and caring soul who lived his life with determination, courage and strength. He was a natural sportsman who played rugby, cricket and hockey, but tennis was his first love. Kiall will always be remembered for the wonderful way he touched people's lives so deeply in his own special way. He was a loyal friend who could be counted on for support at all times and his boundless sense of humour made people smile

and laugh when they needed it most.

Kiall's life was a blessing, his memory a treasure. He is loved beyond words and missed beyond measure. Rest In Peace Our Angel in Heaven. "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." – Phillippian 4:13

# 2009 ROBERT ALAN BURGE

9 May 1954 - 29 June 2009

Grade 1 to Matric (1960-1971). Class of 1971.

# 2010 DAVID ZIPP

24 October 1986 - 31 March 2010

DAVID'S JOURNEY: "his own"

David means: a man after God's heart. This is who he was. For my son who lived a life of grace David grew from a kind sensitive boy into a truly remarkable young man. Always considerate and protective of those he loved, he became a man of honour and great integrity. He loved life and embraced it with joy and enthusiasm. Osteosarcoma became his personal cross to bear at 18 just after matriculating from Saints and on the cusp of starting an exciting new life in Canada.

To a strong and courageous young man I had the honour of calling my son. You did not know it, but the example of your battle with this dreadful disease made a tremendous impact on all you came into contact with. You may have lost the battle, David but you won the war. Until we meet again.....

"Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him." – James 1:12 NIV

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I

cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference".

# 2010 KATHLEEN LESLIE

22 June 1965 - 03 December 2010

Kathleen joined St Stithians College Junior Preparatory in January 2001 as an Academic Support teacher. She taught Design and Technology but returned to the Academic Support field a few years later. She was known for her gregarious, outgoing personality and her zest for life.

Kathleen passed away after a short illness. She is greatly missed by her colleagues.

She is survived by her children, Meryl, Lindsay and Chad – all of whom are still part of our Saints Community. Chad was a pupil in the Boys' Prep and the Boys' College. He matriculated in 2016. Meryl and Lindsay attended the Girls' College.

# 2010 ZENANI ZANETHEMBA NOMASONTO MANDELA

09 June 1997 - 11 June 2010

Although my interactions with Zenani were very brief, she made her mark in my life. She was loving and caring to all those with whom she associated. She was a social butterfly who was most comfortable fluttering her wings amongst her peers. Her friends enjoyed her free-spirited, friendly personality and the time she made for all of them. She was constantly surrounded by girls from all grades because she was so loved. She was confident and outspoken, readily expressing her views. Zenani was an enthusiastic saxophonist and the passion with which she played in the Saxophone Ensemble, was admirable. She also performed with pride in the Nonyani Choir and played the marimbas and

the drums energetically. She was in her element when engaging in musical activities. Although Zenani lived a short life, the impact she made was enormous. She lived life to the fullest by making the most of every moment, laughing, hugging, smiling, playing ... the list goes on. We miss you Zenani; you will always be remembered.

Radha Govender, Girls' Prep teacher

# 2011 TOMMY GENTLES

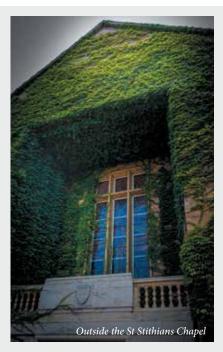
31 May 1934 - 29 June 2011

Some of Tommy's happiest days were spent at St Stithians, especially from 1972-1983 when his son, Ian, was a pupil at the school. The grounds were a haven of peace and pleasure. The Gentles family enjoyed all the school activities and functions.

Tom was very keen on sport and loved to help with the rugby coaching and the early Rugby Festivals. Tommy was well-known as one of South Africa's smallest and best Springbok scrumhalves. He was educated at Bishops and played SA Schools Cricket in 1949 and 1950, first as a leg-spinner who batted number 11, and then as an opening batsman who did not bowl.

He is sadly missed by his family. He filled our world with love his whole life through.





# 2011 MARTHINUS THEUNIS STEYN KRIGE

31 May 1934 – 29 June 2011 Headmaster 1962 to 1968

Husband of Hazel Krige and Father of Geoffrey, Paul, Mike, Lyn, Val and Ken. Steyn Krige joined St Stithians in its very early days. He followed the first Head, Wally Mears, from Rondebosch High in Cape Town and became the first deputy head at St Stithians in 1954. He was Head of the school from 1962 to 1968. After leaving St Stithians, he founded Woodmead School where he carried on his passion of creating a learning environment that was adventurous and exciting and where learners were encouraged the take charge of their own development.

# 2012 LETHABO PATRICIA CHABA

05 December 1997 - 18 May 2012

Lethabo means "Joy" and joy is what Lethabo brought to her family and friends. She was the elder daughter of Pudumo and Lebo Chaba and the sister of Thebo. Lethabo joined St Stithians Girls' Prep in 2009 and Grade 8 at the Girls' College in 2011. Two of Lethabo's great pleasures were music and cartoons. Her friends have many happy memories of listening to music, sing- ing, dancing and laughing with Lethabo. Lethabo became unwell in April 2012, but such was her determination to attend Kamoka Bush School with her grade that she managed to complete the first few days of bush school. She returned home early to seek medical attention. Sadly, she passed away from ulcerative colitis complicated by multi organ failure. Lethabo is missed and fondly remembered by the Grade 9 girls of 2012 and by her teachers and friends at St Stithians Girls' College.

# 2012 NEIL HOWARD SCHROENN

25 January 1971 - 24 November 2012

Son of Carol and Dave Schroenn, Brother of Mark and Tony Schroenn, Husband of Leigh, Father of William, Gus and Emelyn.

Neil was a loving child with a sunny personality. He brimmed with life. He loved his sport gaining colours in the Prep for cricket, soccer, athletics and swimming. In the College, he was prefect and Head of House and earned Colours for Swimming and Water Polo.

He loved birds and all animals and was at home in the outdoors.

He was swimmer and surfer and was at home in the sea. He had great determination and achieved as a result. He loved all his family and bonded particularly with his brothers.

"For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 8 vs 38,39

# 2013 LANCE GRAHAM

30 May 1969 - 26 January 2013

Lance was the husband of Diana Graham and father to Madison and Makenzie. Sadly Lance passed away tragically on 26 January 2013.

# 2013 PAUL HUTCHINSON

2 August 1963 – 13 March 2013

Paul was the younger son of the Rev Brian and Dorothy Hutchinson and the only brother of Mark. Paul was husband to Erica and father to Christopher and Stephen. Sadly, Paul passed



away tragically on the 13 March 2013. We will always remember Paul for bringing the sun and warmth into our lives.

# 2013 BRUCE SHERWOOD

1957 - 18 September 2013

Bruce matriculated from St Stithians in 1975.

# 2013 TONY CARR

1957 - 19 June 2013

Tony matriculated from St Stithians in 1975.

# 2013 THAMSANQA COLBERT RADEBE

09 March 1964 – 17 September 2017

Father of St Stithians student Hlubi Ayanda Radebe (2017).

"Those we love don't go away. They walk beside us every day, unseen, unheard but always near. Still loved, still missed and very dear."

# 2014 INGRID SUSAN WUSTROW NEÈ STERZEL 12 October 1962 – 08 March 2014

Ingrid was the elder daughter of the late Mr and Mrs Sterzel and the only sister of Erica. Ingrid was mother to Claudia and Stephanie Wustrow. Ingrid joined St Stithians Girls' Prep in 1996 as an intermediate phase teacher and was one of the founding members of the Girls' Prep. Ingrid had many passions and some of her great pleasures were music and gardening. Her friends have many happy and fond memories of listening to music, singing, dancing and laughing with Ingrid. Sadly, she passed away on the 08 March 2014.

We will always remember Ingrid for her loyalty and hard work to the College over the

past 17 years. We continue to hold her daughters Claudia and Stephanie and her sister, Erica in our prayers. Ingrid is missed and fondly remembered by her family, friends and colleagues at St Stithians College.

# 2014 CYNTHIA VAN TONDER

18 July 1952 - 31 August 2014

Wife of Piet van Tonder, (ex Deputy Head and teacher at the Boys College 1983-2013) and beloved mother of Jeanette, Michelle & Lauren. Be joyful always, pray at all times, be thankful in all circumstances. This is what God wants from you in your life in union with Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5 vs 16-18.

# 2014 GRAEME JONES

27 July 1972 – 06 August 2014

Graeme matriculated from St Stithians in 1990.

# 2014 CHRISTOPHER CLARKE

1968 - 22 June 2014

Christopher matriculated from St Stithians in 1986.

# 2014 KOBUS (JP) JOUBERT

1975 - 10 March 2014

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1993.

# 2014 FIONA CLAIRE HARWOOD (née MACKENZIE)

12 October 1971 - 23 April 2014

Fiona was the youngest daughter of Ishbel and the late Duncan MacKenzie, sister to Beverley and John. She married David Harwood and became a mother to Jorja, Alexander and Colin in 2005.

Fiona was involved in St Stithians for most of her life - firstly as a sister to John who attended the school for 12 years, next as an aunt to Katelyn and Claudia MacKenzie (John's daughters) as well as Megan and Andrew Jack- son (Beverley's children) before watching her triplets join the school . Fiona was always involved, heart and soul, with her beloved children and became very involved in the life of the school. Whether it was as a class mother, make-up artist for the school plays or as a part of the Ivory Park programme, Fiona always put her hand up to help. Her quirky sense of humour and novel ideas were warmly welcomed.

Fiona passed away tragically and suddenly after suffering from a stroke. Fiona was deeply loved and will be fondly remembered by all those whose lives she touched.

# 2015 DRYSDALE BOBBY RALPH YATES (BOBBY)

9 July 1977 - 22 January 2015

Son of Drysdale Stewart Yates and Shona Lee Yates. Brother of Duncan Yates and Natalie Wasserman.

Bobby was a Gentle Giant with a kind and loving heart. He loved nature of all kinds from tiny insects, spiders, scorpions, lizards, snakes, dogs, cats and wild life his love for creatures big and small was endless.

Bobby was a team stroke rower and played hockey, he enjoyed swimming and was strong academically. Bobby laughed from his belly, loved comedy, fishing, music, watches, electronic gadgets, cars, motor bikes, sushi, prawns, friends and family. R.I.P until we meet again.

"In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also." John 14: 2-3

# 2015 STUART ALEXANDER SKEEN

12 September 1973 - 10 March 2015

Stuart matriculated from St Stithians in 1991. The qualities that were innately Stuart are cherished qualities rarely found in one person. Incomparable father, son, brother, fiancée, relative, doctor, friend, colleague, his presence gladdened the heart, uplifted the spirit, stimulated the mind. He inspired the deepest affection, loyalty and respect. No longer having him in our midst leaves us totally bereft. He

had soul. A great distaste for the counterfeit, the pseudo, rounded off this remarkable being. May his beloved children know and espouse his values and how profoundly he was loved.

# 2015 TARYN MCASLIN

01 September 1972 - 18 July 2015

Wife of Clinton, mother of St Stithians students Daniel, Oliver and Louis. "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him." Job 13:15.

# 2015 GEORGE WAYNE MCINNES

13 February 1964 - 4 November 2014
Father of former Boys College Student Keiran
McInnes.



# 2015 SARAH-JANE BARNHOORN (née KLEMPTNER)

02 September 1980 - 06 April 2015

1 Corinthians 13:1 – If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Sarah-Jane was Deputy Head Girl of the Girls College in 1998. She married Graeme Barnhoorn (BC 1998) in March 2009. They had two children, Lily in 2010, and Matthew in 2013. Sarah founded the Local Design and Food Market in Knysna which is still held quarterly. She also founded Hands Design Collective, where local designers produce and sell their handcrafted products.

# 2015 MBALI PALESA MBALATI

03 Iuly 1988 - 15 Iune 2015

Nkateko, Vongani and Muaki and mother of Nhlamulo Khabonina. Mbali matriculated from St Stithians Girls College in 2006.

# 2015 TINASHE MAJURU

18 September 1991 - 03 September 2015 Tinashe matriculated from St Stithians Boys College in 2009.

# 2015 GRAEME FREER

3 April 1965 - 07 April 2015

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1982.

# 2015 LAWRENCE TAYLOR

16 May 1950 - 27 February 2015

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1967.

# 2015 **IAMES SIMKINS**

17 May 1952 - 16 January 2015 Matriculated from St Stithians in 1969.

Daughter of Gladstone and Regina, sister to



# 2015 **CHARLIE HENDERSON**

1954 - 08 January 2015

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1972.

# 2015

# CASTRO CABRAL SOBANTU NTSEBEZA

21 August 1986 - 30 August 2015

Job 1:21 "And said, Naked I came out of my mother's womb, and naked I shall return thither: the Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord."

Castro matriculated from St Stithians in 2003.

"As long as I knew him, in all his 29 years in this physical realm, Castro was (and he continues to be) the most loving, endearing, RESPECTFUL and HONOURABLE personality I've ever known. He was in the physical, and remains in the eternal, my own figurehead of true magnanimity, humility, genius, divinity, peacefulness, grace, dignity, and loving affection. He for me, was/ is a harbinger of an age of humanity where respect and honour of all living beings was/is the defining quality for all relations, of all sorts, and of every manner. He truly was/is the outpouring of love immaculate, made manifest in this our collective realm."

- Samora Ntsebeza (brother to Castro)

# 2015 **BRENDA IZELLA BRYSON**

11 January 1951 - 06 September 2015

Mother of Girls Prep student Gabriella Bryson.

#### 2015

# PIETER JOHANNES JACOBUS SCHEEPERS 01 July 1992 - 18 October 2015

Matriculated from St Stithians in 2011 and died tragically at age 23 in a light-aircraft accident. Search and Rescue found the wreckage of his airplane three days later near God's Window. Jannes was a gentle soul, a friendly, lovely young man. His empathy, piano and saxophone playing, art talent and love for flying will be remembered.

#### 2015

# MARYBETH NYOKABI WAMBUGU

03 October 1985 - 15 September 2015 Post Matric 2003

Jesus said to her "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and be-lieves in Me shall never die. Do vou believe this?" John 11:25-26

Daughter of Francis and Florence, sister of Benson and James.

#### 2015

#### NEILLEN VAN KRAAYENBURG

28 October 1964 - October 2015

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1982.

#### 2015

#### DANIEL LEECH

17 August 1978 - 11 December 2015 Matriculated from St Stithians in 1996.

# 2015

#### PATRICK VICKERS

28 December 1944 - 30 December 2015 Matriculated from St Stithians in 1962.

# 2015

# LINDA PIRES

04 April 1951 - 28 December 2015

Sister Linda retired from St Stithians at the end of 2014, after 18 years' service to the Boys College, especially the boarders and sportsmen.

# 2016 KIRSTY LEE WEBSTER

08 August 1989 - 16 January 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 2007.

Matthew 5:4 – "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." Daughter of Robin and Adele Webster and sister of Bradley Robin Webster. This Golden Girl has touched our lives. Your beautiful smile, contagious laugh, endless great fun and love for one and all. Caring, compassionate and generous. Forever we will keep this love in our hearts and souls. We now hold and carry forward your Golden Torch and will continue shining your light. Our Angel, dearly loved, safe in the hands of God.

# 2016

#### WERNER DRURY (GROSSKOPF)

26 September 1962 - 16 January 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1980.

#### 2016

#### TSHEPO NKOMO

09 January 1982 - 28 March 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 2001.

#### 2016

#### **NEVILLE RICHARDSON**

06 October 1944 - 01 May 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1961.

# 2016 JOHN BODEN

07 March 1972 - 16 April 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1989.

Husband of Debbie and father of Graeme.

"We little knew that morning that God was going to call your name. In life we loved you, in death we do the same.

It broke our hearts to lose you, you did not go alone for part of us went with you the day God called you home.

You left us peaceful memories, and though we cannot see you, you are always at our side."

# 2016 FRANCOIS CONRADIE

14 May 1934 - 21 May 2016

Music teacher at St Stithians Boys Prep. He taught from 1997 until he passed away in 2016.

# 2016 CHRISTOPHER RITSON

24 November 1968 - 06 May 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1986. Husband of Maggie and father of Thomas and Matthew. A happy, energetic, caring and kind man. A ski instructor in Austria who loved the mountains.

# 2016 ANDREW BUCHAN

1938 - 05 June 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1956.

# 2016 STUART THOMAS

26 September 1972 – 02 October 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1990.

# 2016 ROBERT KELLGREN BURNS WYLDE

Beloved son, brother, uncle and godfather.

25 June 1976 - 30 August 2016

"His life was gentle, and the elements so mixed in him, that nature might stand up and say to all the world, this was a man."

- William Shakespeare

# 2016 MAWETHU CHARLES (Charlie) SOMLAYI 26 June 1960 - 16 February 2016

Charlie was a gentle giant, an unflappable barman, a solid citizen, always eager and always



ready to learn. He has been a constant part of the OSA over the past 30 years, has worked for 10 different Chairmen and has therefore witnessed many changes at St Stithians College and the OSA. Because of his valued contribution, the OSA bestowed Honorary Membership on him in 2011.

# 2016 DIXI EVLAMBIOU

27 March 1976 - 13 August 2016

Mother of Michaella & John-Michael.

My mom was a wonderful mom and she loved us very much. She was always smiling and wanted to help any body at any time. She was very caring and fun to be with. She was always there for us and treated all of our friends as her own children. She was not only there for us but she cared about everyone and always helped with anything even if she wasn't needed. At all of our playdates and sleepovers she would always try to make it as special as she could and even let

us push her in the pool one of the times even though she hated the cold. She was the best mom and human being I have ever met.

# 2016 DAVID RAYNHAM

1955 - 21 September 2016

Matriculated from St Stithians in 1973.

# 2016 CAMERON CONLON

29 April 1997 - 14 October 2016

Son of Deon and Susan and brother of Kirsten.

"Life is for the Living"

Cameron was larger than life and always lit up a room when he entered. Cameron's positive outlook on life meant that he enjoyed and excelled in everything he did. He tried all the sports in his school career, was an exceptional sprinter and really enjoyed basketball. He did dancing, rap and beatboxing.

His true love was drama and from an early age

we could see his comedic talents, the clown. The highlight of his life was the tremendous achievement of his drama group winning best original works at FEDA, which he directed. He wore his drama honours blazer with pride. Cameron will always be in our hearts, forever young.

"Know how to live the time that is given you"

- Dario Foe

# 2016 SANDY KING

07 May 1977 - 31 October 2016

Wife of Gareth, mom to Sinead and Ronan. Daughter of Neville and Barbara Louw.

Sandy was a kind, compassionate and loving person. She was always able to find time to listen to anyone who needed an ear and help anyone who wanted assistance. She is sorely missed by everyone who had the pleasure to know her.

# 2017 DIGBY ELLIOT

14 July 1940 - 22 May 2017

Boys' College pupil. Class of 1958.

# 2017 MPUMELELO BUKU

01 August 1989 - 17 January 2017

The call was too quick, even as the sun goes down to end the light of day, it's rising on a new horizon somewhere far away.

We will always miss you son/ brother.

# 2017 PETER FLINT

21 January 1951 - 03 November 2016 Boys' College pupil. Class of 1968.

# 2017 ENGELA ELIZABETH JOHANNA WAGENER

10 July 1940 - 03 April 2017

Wife of Fritz Wagener.

Engela, affectionately known as "Liewe Heksie" to her colleagues, served the College for over 20 years as a teacher and mentor to many of her students and fellow teachers. She was known for setting the bar high in both her diligence and values. To her husband (of 52 years), children and grandchildren she was the proverbial



mother hen who placed their well-being above her own. Her passing left a void in their lives. Engela was never one to shy away from challenges. This is evident from the studies she completed just before her retirement and in the way that she dealt with the health challenges she had to face later in her life. She never looked down at others, but helped them as much as she could. It was an honour to know Engela as she always made a positive impression on others.

Psalm 23 "The Lord is my shepherd."

# 2017 LIAM VERMAAK

04 October 2004 - 07 June 2017

Son of Martin and Michelle, brother of Brandon and Shannon. In loving memory of a son and brother, taken too soon. Lovingly remembered and always missed.

#### 2017

# CHRISTIAAN ULRICH WAGENER 13 February 1966 – 05 August 2017

Each day we look at heaven, each day we call your name. Each day we always question, we always wonder why you had to go away from us

our angel in the sky.

"I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."" Psalm 91:2

# 2017 CLEOPATRA GONDO

06 November 1976 - 25 August 2017

Wife of Michael and mother of Jackson, Ethan and Noah.

Cleopatra is sadly missed by her husband and children. Her sudden death came as a shock to us as a family. Cleopatra was a lovely wife and dedicated mother. Cleo served communities and the church with dedication and excellence. We will remember Cleo always till we meet again in heaven. Taken away from us too soon.

#### 2017 VALERIE MOROBANE

26 March 1974 - 01 October 2017

Teacher in the Junior Preparatory.

She leaves us with a legacy of gentleness, goodness and courage.

# 2017 ALLAN LEE POST

10 August 1938 - 03 November 2017

We'll always remember... your love and kindness.
A loving husband and father
God Bless You.

#### 2017 IOHN RIDGWAY

14 April 1930 - 11 November 2017

John Ridgway 'The Legend' – John had three great loves: sport, dogs and close friends. He was the Phys. Ed. master at St Stithians Boys' Prep for many years, focusing on his great love of cricket. John was a phenomenal cricket coach, producing unbeaten teams as a matter of course. His great strength lay in his diagnostic abilities, analysing and correcting faults in the play and style of cricketers from eight-year-olds all the way to world-class international players, many of whom would consult 'Ridgy' to help correct a flaw.

It is fitting that John is honoured by having a Boys' Prep cricket field named after him.



# 2017 MATSHIPI MONGOAI (née MABANE)

19 May 1973 - 20 November 2017

Wife of Freddy Mongoai, Mother of Keratile Mongoai, Daughter of Victoria Mabane and Sister of Phetogo Tainton.

A woman of immense strength, courage, tenacity and faith. With a fighting spirit like no other.

Today we remember your generous spirit and loving heart – Not a single day goes by that we do not miss you- the void you have left behind will never be filled- we will forever cherish the memory of the beautiful person you were and the joy you brought into all our lives.

We carry you in our hearts always and forever. You are now Cancer free Matshipi- may you rest in perfect peace.

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28

# 2017 JOHN PETER CONRADIE

23 January 1974 - 02 December 2017

Beloved Father, Son, Brother, Uncle and Friend Rest in Peace

# 2018 CHRISTINE MIRANDA JESSEMAN 30 March 1975 - 22 February 2018

Daughter of Mike and Miranda Jeseman, Wife of Rens Rademeyer, and mother of Holden, Bronte and Wren. Christine dedicated her life to the pursuit of equality and dignity for all those who could not grab onto these ideals for themselves. She lived life passionately and loved her family dearly. Every minute of her life, even after being diagnosed with terminal cancer, was dedicated to creating loving and lasting memories for her children. She was brave and fierce to the end.

Her memory will serve as inspiration to all those who knew and loved her, especially to Holden, Bronte and Wren.

"Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends." *Corinthians 13* 

# 2018 MICHAEL PENMAN

12 March 1959 - 04 January 2018

Class of 1976.

#### 2018 OLGAR LETSELEBE

27 December 1986 - 05 February 2018

Class of 2005.

# 2018 MARTIN DUGMORE

24 February 1943 - 20 March 2018

Class of 1965.

#### 2018 THOMAS CHARLES BARKER

24 June 1968 - 31 March 2018 Class of 1986

Father of Emma and Sian.

Thomas was a very talented chef and restaurant owner and won several awards for his restaurant "Thomas Maxwell Bistro" which was famous for Monty's fishcakes, Picasso's salad and the decadent chocolate torte! He was a loyal and true friend to all his Saints mates and would happily reminisce about his school adventures. He was a fun dad to his precious girls Emma and Sian.

# 2018 MICHAEL WESSELS

22 February 1958 - 15 April 2018

Class of 1975.

#### 2018 WILLEM (WILL) ELLIS

18 October 1935 - 11 May 2018

Husband to Margaret; father of Martin, Jennifer, Susan and Shirley.

"So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." Isaiah 41:10.

Beloved husband, father and mentor; a man dedicated to the boys of St. Stithians – admired maths teacher, rugby coach, Head of Mt. Stephens and co-founder of the Adventurers Club.

"Say not in grief 'he is no more' but in thankfulness that he was."

# 2018 KHOLOFELO MAKGALEMELE

15 October 1987 - 12 June 2018 Class of 2006

### 2018 PETER JAMES WATERSON

02 July 1950 - 13 August 2018

Husband to Helen, Father to Ashleigh and Aimee and loving brother of Joan.

A wonderful husband, loving father, brother and incredible friend – you will be sorely missed but the many wonderful memories shared with you will be cherished forever!

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die." Thomas Campbell

#### 2018 GEORDIE WAYNE KRUGER

19 September 1962 - 20 August 2018

Father of Brett Kruger, Husband of Rhoda Kruger for 22 years.

Great sense of humour, loved nature, wild-life and the outdoors, fishing, snorkelling, spending time in the bush, sitting around a campfire, having a good conversation. A good Dad, with excellent morals, principles with a love of Our



Lord and the word of God.

Geordie's strong faith and wisdom helped him to face adversity. He touched many lives and has left beautiful memories for his friends and family to remember him by.

"The Lord is my Shepherd." Psalm 23.

# 2019 HARRISON LI

19 April 1958 – 7 January 2019

Father of E'Jane & Shirley Li.

# 2019 SYDNEY HENRY PUTH

14 October 1943 - 12 February 2019 Old Stithian, 1956 - 1960

Sydney, loved by his family and community in Ficksburg where he was a farmer for many years.

# 2019 ELIZABETH CAMILLA MACFARLANE (née DE KLERK)

22 October 1936 - 4 April 2019

Elizabeth Camilla Macfarlane passed away peacefully on 4 April 2019. Kim was married to Walter Macfarlane, founding headmaster of the preparatory school (1966 – 1982).

Kim will be remembered for her gentle, loving support and devotion to her family and friends. Never one to draw attention to herself, she took an active role in her duties as a headmaster's wife and mother. Kim was a quiet strength; she was warm and kind to all she knew. She will be greatly missed.

"....and they can no longer die, for they are like angels." Luke 20:36b

### 2019 SONIA DE VRIES

14 September 1967 - 29 May 2019 Mother of Dominique and Shane Dos Reis. Taken from us way too soon. We love and miss you!

# 2019 MICHAEL RICHARD (KIM) HUTTON 11 August 1962 - 11 July 2019 Class of 1981

Son of Anne and Dick Hutton, loving Brother to Leigh, Judy and Paul.

Kim was sadly taken too young. A most loving, energetic, creative, caring, generous and passionate man who is truly missed. Rest in Peace Kimmy – until we meet again xxx.

#### 2019 GUY MARK URDANG

22 November 1962 - 8 September 2019 Class of 1980

Father of Leanne & Ariella. Brother of James & the Late Adam Urdang. Uncle to Lauren & Grant Urdang. Guy was a vibrant and loving soul who touched the lives of everyone he met. He had a passion for helping those around him and a sense of humour that lit up any room he was in. Guy fought a long and difficult struggle with cancer and was unfortunately taken far too soon. He will be dearly missed by his two daughters, brother, family and friends. His spirit will forever shine brightly down on those who loved and cherished him.

# 2019 DONNA FROST

30 October 1932 - 5 October 2019

Wife of Jack, and sons David, Peter, Colin, Tony. Donna and Arthur "Jack" Frost educated their four sons at St Stithians from Grade 1 to Matric. Both Jack and Donna contributed significantly to the development of the school. Donna died from natural causes at the age of 86.

"Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." John 13 verse 34.

# 2019

#### TANYA SCHMIDT (née HOLZNER)

17 February 1969 - 27 October 2019 In loving memory of Tanya – soulmate; wife; Mom; daughter; sister; aunt and friend. 'Til we meet again.

"We can't always choose the music life plays for us, but we can choose how we dance to it."

– Unknown.

# 2020 CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM JOHNSON 17 December 1953 - 5 May 2020

Beloved husband of Bev Johnson and father of Chloe Quinn Johnson (Old Stithian, Matric Class 2009).

"Some day when we meet up yonder,
We'll stroll hand in hand again,
In a land that knows no parting, (and)
No blue eyes crying in the rain."

- Willie Nelson

# 2020 BASIL WINDSOR AVONDLE KELLAR 11 May 1940 - 2 October 2020

Class of 1957.

# 2020 PETER LEE HAWKINS

9 May 1977 - 13 April 2020 Class of 1994

Cherished son to Jon and Trish, big brother to Scott. Soul love to Kerry and champion Dad to Adam and Sage.

"Life is one long weekend."



# 2020 KEN HOVELMEIER

17 November 1940 - 8 September 2020 Teacher and school counsellor: 1962 - 2000

 $Dearly\ beloved\ husband\ of\ Myrna$ 

Ken started teaching at St Stithian's Boys' Prep school in 1960 where he taught Maths and coached cricket. He had contracted pancreatic polio at the age of seven years and was diabetic. Sadly at the age of 28 he started losing his eyesight due to the diabetes. When he lost his sight totally, the school made the dramatic decision to keep this wonderful teacher on at the school in the role of Counsellor. Ken made a huge success of this new position and went on to play a pivotal role in the lives of many, many boys and girls who passed through the school. In 1975 he met and married Myrna who was also teaching at the school and they went on to become the best of friends and companions for nearly 40 years. Ken was the Director of Student Affairs and created the PR committee. His ability to relate to children of all ages and with all kinds of problems, put him in the forefront of Counsellors. He mentored the 1st team at Squash for many years and produced the most successful Squash teams that Saints has ever had. Ken accomplished an enormous amount in the course of his life, despite all the challenges he faced on a daily basis. He was always positive and upbeat and was an amazing example to so many people over the course of his life. His positive influence spread far and wide. He lived an extraordinary life. What an imprint your footsteps have left upon our hearts.

# Friends and Family

Friends and family of the College staff who have passed away. (October 2019 to October 2020)

# Sandra Ellanor Van de VIjver (nee Day)

17 March 1953 - 14 June 2019 *Mother of Françoise Blair.* 

#### Lorna Aird

4 December 1939 - 9 April 2020 Mother of Lesley Vickery.

#### Patricia Gillian Olivier

9 April 1939 - 2 April 2020 Mother of Gavin Olivier (Boys' Prep staff member). Grandmother of Nathan Olivier (2017), Jessie Olivier (2019) and Jaimie Olivier.



# Prayers

Almighty and eternal God, from whose love in Christ we cannot be parted, either by death or life:

hear our prayers and thanksgivings for all whom we remember this day;

Merciful God, Creator and Redeemer,

as you knit each of us together at the beginning of our life,
so you also draw us together to be one Holy Church, the body of our Lord.

Grant us humility and gratitude as we remember your saints.

Grant us courage and grace to follow their path of faith and devotion.

And above all, stir up our faith that we may know that our Lord Jesus Christ has conquered death

and has given eternal life to all who believe.

Our eyes, Lord, are wasted with grief

We feel like our entire life has lost its meaning.

Our hearts are broken.

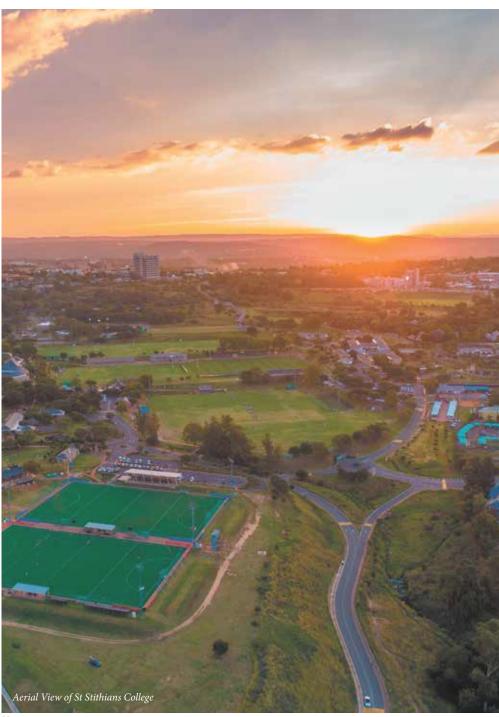
In our time of doubt and pain, remind us of your sufficient grace.

We need you, We need your strength to guide us.

We pour out our grief to you in the hope that our suffering end, and your love will conquer.



COLLEGE PRAYER COLLEGE PRAYER



# College Prayer

Dear God,

Let my purpose each day be to honour You,
I seek to praise You through faithful service,
I seek to honour You through dedicated worship,
I long to be filled with the fruit of Your Spirit
So that I may journey along a path of prayer
Towards knowing You as my God.

Let my purpose each day be to honour others,
Let me seek to respect and value each person that I meet,
And see You reflected in my neighbour.
Help me to journey towards finding the beauty in others,
Help me to journey towards building others
Through co-operation rather than competition,
And towards an understanding of You as my God.

Let my purpose each day be to learn to honour self,
Allow me to grow in moral courage so that I may express the truth,
Allow me to find the strength to live a disciplined life.

I ask You to walk beside me,
As I journey from loneliness to solitude
Towards a discovery of the uniqueness of self,
And a personal knowledge of You as my God.



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COLLEGE HYMN WREATH LAYING

# College Hymn

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art;
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord; Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Be thou my whole armour, be thou my true might;
Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower;
O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Be thou mine inheritance now and always; Be thou and thou only the first in my heart; O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after vict'ry is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

# Wreath Laying

| 2007 | DOREEN READ   |
|------|---|
|      | Widow of Basil Read (14 November 2007)                            |
| 2008 | JOHN RISELY   |
|      | Father of David & Mark Risely (5 November 2008)                   |
| 2012 | MICAELA BOUTER AND COURTNEY GRIFFITHS Girls' College Alumni 2013  |
|      | Č   |
| 2013 | TAFADZWA NDLOVU AND AYANDA HEITA Head Boy 2014 and Head Girl 2013 |
| 2014 | CAREL NOLTE   |
|      | Chair of Council  |
| 2015 | CAREL NOLTE   |
|      | Chair of Council  |
| 2016 | DAVID AND INGRID WYLDE  |
|      | David was previous Rector and Boys' College Head                  |
| 2017 | MARTIN & MICHELLE VERMAAK   |
|      | Parents of Liam Vermaak   |
| 2018 | HELEN WATERSON  |
|      | Wife of Peter Waterson  |
| 2019 | COLIN FROST   |
|      | Boys' College Alumnus, Son of Donna Frost                         |
| 2020 | MYRNA HOVELMEIER  |
|      | Past teacher and wife of Ken Hovelmeier                           |

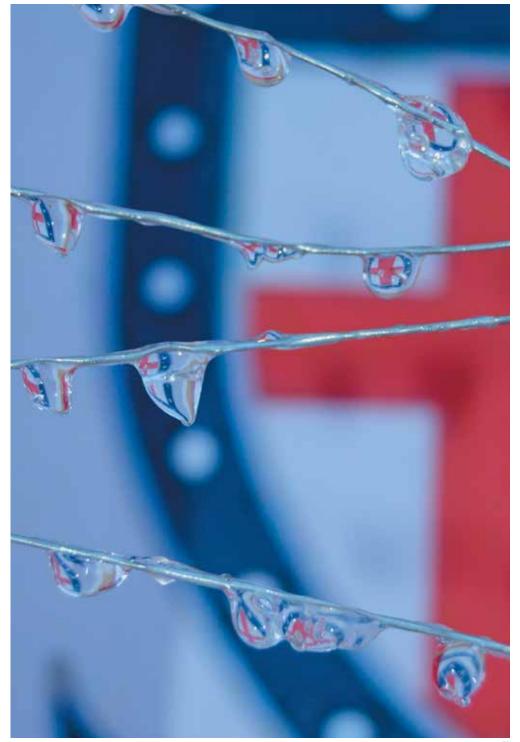


# to Memorial Booklet Initiators and Contributors

The first edition of the Memorials Booklet was published in 2007 by Sue MacKenzie, who had been employed at the Boys' College as a counselling psychologist. Her goal was to record and preserve the human stories associated with the memorials located on the grounds of St Stithians. These memorials exist in the Memorial Garden and in many other places on the campus. The booklet developed into a living history of those who have walked before us, and who have been part of the Saints community. The Memorials Booklet provides a window into the personalities and history of the College, honours those families who have chosen Saints as the final resting place for their loved ones, and reminds the community that we remember and honour those who have gone before us.

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