

Vale – Emmanuel Brito Boylon Rajakulenthiran LLB, F.T.I.A, DipTax

Prominent Melbourne Barrister & Solicitor, Emmanuel Rajakulenthiran passed away peacefully on September 5th 2014, surrounded by his loving family.

Born in Vavuniya, Sri Lanka, Rajakulenthiran attended the prestigious St Patrick's College where he excelled academically. His colleagues at St Patrick's remember him as a gifted scholar who excelled in Chemistry and the arts. He won numerous accolades during his school career including 'The Guyomor Shield' and was elected Head Prefect of St Patrick's.

Rajakulenthiran obtained his Bachelor of Laws (LLB) from Colombo University and was admitted to the Bar as an Attorney-at-Law shortly thereafter. His interest in Chemistry also saw him hold a scientific analyst research position at the Ceylon Institute of Scientific Research (CISIR) during the early 80's.

It was at University that Rajakulenthiran met his wife, "Terrisita Sharmini Patrick" – also a lawyer (Daughter Of Late John Patrick Magistrate Rural courts and Beatrice Patrick), who he called 'his soulmate'. They were married in 1976. They have two beautiful daughters Mariolyn & Christolyn.

Emigrating to Melbourne in the 80's, Rajakulenthiran was admitted to the Bar in Australia & embarked on a successful career as a Barrister & Solicitor & Tax consultant. His innovative thinking & passion for justice, made him one of the most respected legal figures in Melbourne.

In his later years, he dedicated much of his time to doing 'pro-bono' work for numerous individuals and organisations throughout Melbourne. To his colleagues, Rajakulenthiran was a tenacious and talented lawyer and a true gentleman in the courtroom. His charisma, wit & charm were some of his endearing qualities.

Rajakulenthiran's great passions in life were his family, especially his two daughters Mariolyn & Christolyn whom he treasured. He was often heard saying that he never needed to worry about his health, because his two daughters who are surgeons, would 'always look after him'. Rajakulenthiran loved spending time at home with his wife, enjoyed gardening and travelling.

Rajakulenthiran's passing has led to an outpouring of grief and condolences from all corners of the globe, from his many friends who loved and respected him. Rajakulenthiran will be sadly missed by his loving wife and daughters, his parents, sisters and brother, in-laws and all his relatives, colleagues and friends.

"May he rest in Peace"

Tribute written by Miss Patricia Patrick

