Edna "Red" O'Shaughnessy.

26th September 1924 – 25th January 2022

I am deeply saddened to let the Membership know that Edna O'Shaughnessy has died.

Coming from a background in Philosophy, she became a Distinguished Fellow, Training Analyst, and Supervisor of the British Psychoanalytical Society. Prior to training at the Institute of Psychoanalysis she trained as a child psychotherapist at the Tavistock Clinic

Known lovingly as "Red", she was part of a generation that has made key contributions to national and international psychoanalysis. She was known to her students and colleagues alike for the clarity of her thinking in theoretical and clinical seminars. She has left a mark in all of us who benefited from her teaching.

Eileen McGinley writes on the page devoted to Red at the Institute of Psychoanalysis and Melanie Klein Trust websites:

"Reading O'Shaughnessy's papers, one is struck not only with the clarity of her thinking but the depth of her understanding and her ability to think laterally about complex issues. She conveys compassion for the anxieties and dilemmas that confront both patient and analyst, an attitude she transmits through her work as a supervisor. She also recognises the individuality of a particular patient/analyst coupling, so that the uniqueness of their encounters is acknowledged, as well as the universality of some of their struggles."

Red will be thoroughly missed.

Her funeral will be a private one for the family. I hope that we will plan a Scientific Meeting to celebrate her life and work.

With best wishes

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