



## Brian Richard Thomsitt

January 22, 1938 - August 2, 2024

Brian Richard Thomsitt, 86, passed away on August 2nd 2024 in Sarasota, Florida. He was born in Croydon, England on January 22nd 1938 and grew up in South Norwood, a district of London. Brian emigrated to the United States in 1969 and spent many years in Cambridge, Massachusetts and Stowe, Vermont before retiring to Florida in 2014.

For most of his career, Brian was an engineer at the MIT Lincoln Labs. When he wasn't working, Brian was an avid walker and walked several miles every day. He was a close follower of England's Premier League soccer, especially Crystal Palace, where his mother ran concessions for many years. While he never played professional soccer himself, his prowess on the pitch was witnessed in many hallway soccer games with his step-grandchildren.

Brian is preceded in death by his parents, Richard and Grace (Blogg) Thomsitt, and brothers Roy and Robert Thomsitt.

Left to cherish his memory are his companion of 46 years, Jeanne Marie Smith; Jeanne's children Catherine Cotton and her husband Harvey, and Nicholas Schwartz, all of Boston, MA; siblings John Thomsitt and his wife June, Anne Allen and her partner Chris, all of the UK; step-grandchildren Benjamin and Eli Cotton, and many nieces and nephews.

There will be a celebration of Brian's life in England at a later date.