

BARRY STROUD

1935-2019



The loss of Barry Stroud affected the community of philosophers in a very harsh way. One of the great philosophers of the past half-century was a key member of the editorial board at the *WISDOM* journal. Stroud's cooperation with the *WISDOM* journal started the day the journal was found, in 2013, with the help of his strong friendship with academician Georg Brutian, the Founder and Chief Editor of the periodical *WISDOM* and founder-president of the *International Research Institute for Metaphilosophy, Transformational Logic and Theory of Argumentation* at Khachatur Abovian Armenian State Pedagogical University (ASPU).

I learned about Stroud in 2001, when Georg Brutian founded the International Academy for Philosophy (IAPh). Barry Stroud was the co-president of that Academy and I was the Scientific General Secretary. I personally met Stroud in 2007 in California, USA, where the 3rd International Conference of IAPh was organized. Since the beginning of my time as Chief Editor of *WISDOM*, from 2016, our cooperation with professor Stroud until the end of his life was real-

ized in frame of the *WISDOM* Journal. I am in great grief that we have lost such an important philosopher and member of our Editorial Board.

Stroud passed away on Friday, August 9, 2019 of brain cancer¹. He earned his B.A. from the University of Toronto and his Ph.D. from Harvard University². While most popular for his work in epistemology and philosophical incredulity - just as his compositions on such logicians as David Hume and Ludwig Wittgenstein - Stroud's general heritage, fellow philosophers state, was his capacity to see the comprehensive view and get to the core of reasoning. Stroud was a provocative scholar. As a thinker, Stroud became an adult during when the overall Western frame of mind was that philosophical inquiries could be replied by the sociologies, and he tested those thoughts.

Stroud's own work indicated another way: he connected without a moment's delay with inquiries in metaphysics, epistemology, the philosophy of our intellect, the hypothesis of significant worth, and more, declining to offer thought to any alleged limits between these subjects or to concede to the supposed ability of those with a specialist's command of them. Specialization in theory would bode well on the off chance that we recognized what we were after and could split the topic in a manner that conduced to near-by advance. Be that as it may, philosophers can't accomplish our objectives along these lines. We are lucky to have had among us those like Barry

¹ UC Berkeley - Department of Philosophy. "Barry Stroud (1935-2019)". *Philosophy.berkeley.edu*. Retrieved 2019-08-13.

² Hull, Richard T. (2013), *Biography: Barry Greenwood Stroud*, American Philosophical Association Centennial Series, Philosophy Documentation Center, pp. 367-368, doi:10.5840/apapa201359.

Stroud, who can help us to remember what we are truly doing and check the abundances with

which we will in general go about it.

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