



It is with great sadness that all at the Port of Wells announce that our friend and colleague, Commander Anthony Michael Woodroffe, has crossed the bar for the final time.



Commander Anthony Michael Woodroffe  
1942-2022

Mike was a dedicated and professional mariner, who served in the Merchant Navy from 1958, before enlisting in the Royal Navy. In 1972, Mike joined the R.N.L.I where he worked for 30 years until retiring in 2002 as Deputy Chief of Operations. Mike choose to stay close to the sea and the RNLi by retiring to Wells-Next-the-Sea, where he soon became active in the harbour and community, serving as a Wells Harbour Commissioner from 2004-2012.

Harbour Master Robert Smith MBE said Mike was a much respected Harbour Commissioner and mariner and was very well known around the coast of the UK. The sea and the RNLi were very much in his blood to the end, and he will be sadly missed by all who knew him.

To celebrate his life, his funeral will be held at St Nicholas Church  
Wells-Next-the-Sea

**Thursday the 24<sup>th</sup> February at 1300 Hrs**  
**followed by**  
**Cromer Crematorium at 1500 Hrs**  
All Welcome  
Let's make his final voyage a good one.