

In Memoriam: Mark P.O. Morford

Professor Mark P. O. Morford, of Leeds, died Monday October 14, 2019 at the Hospice of the Fisher Home after a brief illness. He was 90 years old.

Mark was born in Ceylon, the son of Kenneth Morford, a tea planter, and Eileen Weeks Morford. He was educated in England at Trinity College, Oxford, where he took his B.A. and M.A. degrees in Classics. He earned his Ph.D. in Classics at the University of London.

Mark taught at Tonbridge School in Kent, England from 1952 to 1959; at Gilman School, Baltimore in 1959-1960; and at Lansing College, Sussex from 1960 to 1963. He taught at The Ohio State University from 1964 to 1984, serving as Chairman of the Department of Classics from 1968 to 1980. Mark then served as Professor of Classics at the University of Virginia from 1984 until 1998. He finished his teaching career at Smith College as Kennedy Professor of Classics in 1995, after which he served as Salloch Fellow in the Mortimer Rare Book Room.

A distinguished author, Mark wrote several books including *Lucan; Persius; Stoics and Neostoics: Justus Lipsius and the Circle of Rubens*; and of particular note, with Robert Lenardon and Michael Sham, *Classical Mythology*, the 11th edition of which was released last year.