



Michael Flett

held at bikers' club BOF (it's short for Boring Old Fartz) at Birmingham and Solihull Rugby Club.

Born in Poole in September 1943, Michael spent his childhood in Oxford, married Christine in 1964 and came to Birmingham in 1966.

The couple divorced after 14 years but remarkably remarried 14 years later, and enjoyed almost another 25 years together.

Still actively fundraising last summer, Michael was diagnosed with terminal cancer on Christmas Eve.

Given three to six months to live, he died on eldest son Gary's birthday, January 10.

"Dad learned to drive trucks in the Army and was known as 'the master of the roads,'" said Steven.

"Companies he worked for included LEP International and Mereway, delivering top-end kitchens for John Lewis until he had back problems.

"He then joined Kings Norton Coaches, which is actually based in Halesowen. From there, he was the

driver for the Big Brum Buz open-top bus tours. Dad was born a character, he never became a character," added Steven. "When people retire they usually slow down, but Dad sped up and lived life to the full.

"He had four bikes including a Harley Davidson he had long coveted. He also had a trike which I am going to use for charity events.

"My brother Gary is a biker, but I'm a cyclist, so this is the year I'm going to discover biking - after first

driving the trike 125 miles back to where I live in Wales."

Sue Behan, who used to run the Big Brum Buz, added: "Michael was the most wonderful, kind, helpful man. He was my No 1 driver, very loyal and someone who loved Birmingham's history.

"Michael loved being a biker and was an absolutely amazing charity fundraiser."

The family has asked for no flowers but donations can be made to The Animal House Rescue, a charity

based in Birmingham which has the motto "From the darkness to the light, saving lives one paw at a time" and helps dogs, cats and other animals in distress.

A special Facebook page for tributes has been set up at www.facebook.com/groups/SirMF/. For details about the work of 'blood bikes' run by Midland Freewheelers' emergency rider voluntary service to 'help the NHS to help you' visit <http://www.midlandfreewheelers.co.uk/> or call 0300 1024 999.

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