

IN MEMORIAM / DÉCÈS

York University's Department of History lost a beloved colleague with the sudden passing of **Robert Cuff**. During the 1970s, Bob Cuff was one of the scholars who established York's reputation for productivity and intellectual vitality. His landmark book, *The War Industries Board: Business-Government Relations During World War I*, came out in 1973 and it remains the standard work on the subject. Bob also maintained a lively interest in Canadian history, collaborating with Jack Granatstein on several books and articles on Canadian-US relations.

In the early nineties after two stints at the Harvard Business School and with his new interest in both the history of management and teaching managers, Bob sought a joint appointment with the Faculty of Administrative Studies. Bob brought the same professional credibility, seemingly effortless competence, and level-headed decency to the burgeoning Schulich School in the 90s as he had to the History Department earlier. Bob, in his quiet, yet very effective style soon assumed the leadership of a diverse Policy Area at Schulich.

Bob was thus poised to embark on a new phase of his career when his beloved wife, Mary Lou, died of cancer in 1999. Recently Bob had begun to participate anew in the History Department's affairs; we reveled again in his jocular, self-deprecating humour. Graduate history students appreciated his openness to new topics and approaches, and his acts of incredible generosity. The students in his fourth-year history seminar marveled at the way in which he was able to illuminate the current organization of the US war effort with historical parallels from his own work. Academically, he and Tom McCraw were about to launch on a research project on mobilization management for World War II. He was laughing and enjoying the fellowship of colleagues in the Business Policy unit when he was tragically struck down.

Bob Cuff brought style, performance, academic credibility, and professional dedication to York. He was admired as a scholar and loved as a human being.

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Dr. Alvin Gluek of Hanover, New Hampshire, died in May 2001. He had been a member of the CHA since 1955.

