

In Memory of David R.A. Pearce, scholar, poet, and friend



David Pearce was born in Whitstable in 1938. That Kentish coastline was, in the early war years, under threat; and for a while, as a small child, he was an evacuee in Cornwall. After school at St Edmund's, Canterbury, and then St Edmund Hall, Oxford, he taught at Stanbridge Earls, Hampshire, and then, for thirty-three years at Berkhamsted School where he was Head of English and a boarding housemaster. He was a joint-founder of the Graham Greene Birthplace Trust, and, through that, rejoiced in friends all round the world. The importance of his family life and other interests may be deduced from his poems, most recently those published in his volume, *The Street*, 2016, Mountain Arbor Press.