



The Creative Expenditure of
œ *Clifford William Railton Edwards* œ

From cosmic dust ...

"I was born at about 1:00 a.m. on the 26th July 1926 . . . It happened in Cardiff, in South Wales."

(from Bill's autobiography)

Family

Lyn Johnston Mathews, wife

Sons Mark, Ben, daughter-in-law Jo, and grandson Ewan

Son by marriage Joseph, and grandchildren, Melissa and Juan Simon

**Son by marriage James, wife Teresa, and grandchildren Brent
and Amber**

In search of excellence

Bedford School, England, 1940-1944

Oxford University, M.A., First Class Honors in Law, 1947-1950

Harvard University Law School, L.C.M., 1954-1955

Military service

British Army, 1944-1947, Captain 3in Intelligence Corps.

Vocational callings

Lecturer in Law at the University of Southampton, England and University of British Columbia, Vancouver. During the 1953 summer vacation, he was the cook for a 3-month geological excursion in the Yukon. 1950-1954

As legal counsel with International Nickel Inc. in the USA, and as a director, Chief Legal Officer and Company Secretary of International Nickel in the UK, Bill was involved in all aspects of business law, the establishment of subsidiary companies and general management of the company. 1955-1965

As a practising member of the English bar, Bill specialised in commercial law for industries such as the Deep Sea Fishing Industry and Confectionery and Films, and orchestrated business ventures of his own including Product Knowledge, an information and training company. 1965-1975

As owner of the Globe Hotel, Weedon, UK, Bill gained enjoyable hands-on experience of dealing with people, organising weekend seminars for artists, writers and those interested in spirituality. Extraordinarily, he also found time to chair rent assessment and valuation tribunals in London. 1975-1979

Succeeded the late Dr. Schumacher ("Small is Beautiful") as a Director of Scott Bader Co. Ltd., the first English employee-owned company. 1977-1983

With the Institute of Cultural Affairs, an international development agency, he resided in Canada, Hong Kong, South America, India and the United States. 1983-1989

As Senior Vice President of Kanbay Resources, Inc., he was the elder and guardian of the organization in its earliest and most vulnerable years. Through his oversight of all contractual matters and, more importantly, as mentor and sage for important decisions, he played an invaluable role in shaping the organization's future 1989-1993

Cultural pursuits

Appreciation

Bill enjoyed the finer things in life ...

Bill's range of musical interest covered Bach, Beethoven, Brahms, Liszt, Muller and Segovia. His favorite was Mozart, and he especially loved his opera, "The Magic Flute."

Bill was an avid reader, often completing 3 books a week. He enjoyed the poet Dylan Thomas. He recently was captivated with books on the New Science and the Self-Organizing Universe. The last books he bought are titled, "A Theology of Mathematics" and "The Pythagorean Sourcebook." The last theater production Bill attended was Shakespeare's "Cymbeline."

As a connoisseur, Bill had an exquisite taste for culinary delicacies, fine wine and Scotch Whisky.

Aesthetic

Bill had a life-long preoccupation with matters of the spirit. In the 1950s, he spent a retreat with Sri Auribindo. He frequently found solace in the "I-Ching," the book of changes. Bill experienced "visions" on a couple of occasions in his life, one of which led to a request to share his experience on BBC television in a programme written and presented by himself under the title of "Light of Experience." Another in 1987 accelerated his spiritual journey allowing him to integrate his artistic talents and his writing interests.

Author

Bill has written drafts of books, the most recent being on numerology with the working title "The Nines."

Artist

Bill began painting in 1981, beginning with landscapes and culminating in designs in oils and acrylics.

Actor

Bill's theatrical pursuits included being the Master of Ceremonies in the Academy production of "Cabaret" and most recently as a member of the Admiral Players in its performance of "Our Town."

... To cosmic dust

Bill died Saturday, 13th November 1993, at 2:28 a.m. in Chicago. Lyn, Teresa and Joseph Mathews were with Bill as he "crossed the river."

*The softest of stuff in the world
penetrates quickly the hardest;
insubstantial, it enters
where no room is*

*By this I know the benefit
of something done by quiet being;
in all the world but a few can know
accomplishment apart from work,
instruction when no words are used.*

Tao Te Ching

"TETRAKTYS LOTUS"
By Bill Edwards