

**VALE**

**“Les”**

**Leslie William Vagg**

**14<sup>th</sup> May 1926 – 16<sup>th</sup> August 2010**



Sadly much liked and well respected industry stalwart a long time MTA member, Governing Councillor, President (1978 – 1981) and Life Member Les Vagg passed away on 16<sup>th</sup> August 2010.

Les Vagg known by many was a G M H dealer based at Pennant Hills.

Les was an enthusiastic and vital advocate for the need to improve the image of the industry by lifting the professionalism of all participants that make up the motor industry, from the workshop floor to the administration office. Les was the driving force for many of the activities conducted by MTA putting in many hours of his time to the betterment of the industry as a whole.

Les was the MTA President in 1979 where he oversaw the introduction of the MTA Code of Ethics which was approved in principle by the MTA Council and was later adopted at a Special Meeting 1980.

He was also at the helm when in June 1980 MTA moved premises from William Street to take up residence in a new “MTA House” at 43 Brisbane Street Sydney.

Les Vagg was one of the “old breed” a true professional at whatever he undertook, a dedicated family man, a gentleman in his conduct at all times, he was renowned for being hard but fair in his business dealings and he always had a kind word of encouragement for those he met.

The industry has been left a better one for his contribution.

## **While waiting for Thee**

Don't weep at my grave,  
For I am not there,  
I've a date with a butterfly  
To dance in the air.  
I'll be singing in the sunshine,  
Wild and free,  
Playing tag with the wind,  
While I'm waiting for thee.