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Dear Neil

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude to you and the Association members who attended Ken's funeral service on May 28th. Ken was a proud member of the Association and I know that he would have been deeply honoured that so many of his colleagues turned out to bid their farewells. The lowering of the Association Standard at the committal was a particularly moving moment for my family and I, and the guard of honour formed by so many Association members was a very touching gesture.

It was very important to me that we gave Ken the kind of send off that he would have wanted and which properly reflected his life and his passions. I think we managed to achieve that goal, thanks in no small part to you and the Association members. Would you please pass on my thanks to all concerned.

I decided to ask for any donations given in Ken's memory to be put towards funding the proposed fire service memorial stone at the National Arboretum. I am pleased to report that £600 was raised and my son Steve will make sure that this finds its way to you as quickly as possible.

Yours sincerely

S Bowden.

Sheila Bowden