

On the evening of 16 September, 2016, Gareth passed away at Sacred Heart Hospice in Darlinghurst, New South Wales, Australia. He spent his last days surrounded by his five children.

Gareth Powell was born in Caerwys, Wales, on 26 May, 1934. He was the seventh child of Thomas Powell and Blodwen Hughes Powell.

As a young man, Gareth served as a sergeant with the Royal Armoured Corps and the Intelligence Corps. After his time in service, Gareth was Managing Director of two London publishing houses, Mayflower Books and then the New English Library, and achieved a measure of notoriety for publishing *Fanny Hill* for the former and *The Carpetbaggers* for the latter.

In Australia, he published magazines – including men's magazine *Chance International* and women's magazine *POL* – and several books under Gareth Powell Associates (including the bestseller *Now You'll Think I'm Awful*). He was a contributing writer to *Playboy* and an editor for the *Sydney Morning Herald*, the *Hong Kong Standard*, and *China Economic Review*. He wrote 24 books under various publishers, including Random House and Allen & Unwin. Gareth achieved acclaim under many hats – publisher, journalist, author, and editor.

Gareth is survived by his wife of 30 years, Jenny, and his loving children, Sian, David, Tom, Ben, and Roo. He also leaves previous wives Brenda and Josephine, four siblings, six grandchildren, numerous nieces and nephews, and many dear friends and colleagues all over the world.

His family wishes to thank the staff at Sacred Heart Hospice for their kindness and care in Gareth's final days.