

Trees of Reflection

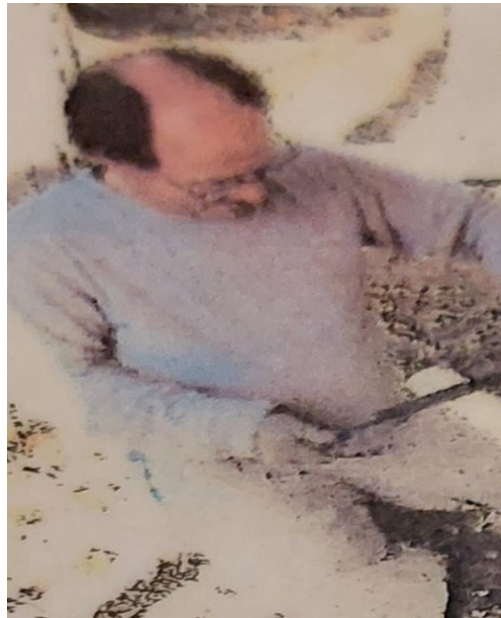


MARTIN WATKINS

Red Alder (*Alnus Rubra*) planted in 2017

March 1966 – April 2017

Martin was a popular participant at The Cart Shed who, sadly, died of natural causes when he was only 51 years old. The following tribute has been written by his friend and partner, Janet Drury, known simply as Jan.



Martin loved drama and poetry. He enjoyed walking, nature, the beach and coastal walks. He had various jobs before doing a degree in media studies and later doing a PHCE to become a Drama teacher, with English as a second subject.

He suffered with his mental health and had a breakdown. He took solace in attending The Cart Shed and really enjoyed his time there. It was good for him. We read poems out loud, as he used to do for everyone in The Cart Shed woods.

When Martin died his funeral was attended by lots of people associated with The Cart Shed and they brought a big Hellebore for me to plant in his memory because they were one of his favourite plants.