

# Former Lord Provost George Grubb dies

The man who was elected The Rt Honourable Lord Provost of the City of Edinburgh in 2007 and who served as the city's first citizen until 2012, died over the weekend.

George Grubb was the Liberal Democrat councillor for Almond Ward which includes South Queensferry.

*Former Lord provost George Grubb quietly slipped away from us on Saturday night. He served Queensferry with love and community spirit both as a Minister and a Lib Dem Councillor. He was my mentor and my friend. The Ferry, and the City are all the poorer tonight for his passing.*  
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– Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP (@agcolehamilton) [June 11, 2018](#)

Born in Edinburgh in 1935 he attended James Gillespie's and the Royal High School. He was ordained as a minister in 1962 and then became parish minister at Craigsbank Church from 1971.



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George Grubb studied at Edinburgh University, the Open University and the San Francisco Theological Seminary.

He married Liz in 1960 and they had two children Rhoderick and Mhairi.

The Lord Provost Frank Ross said: "I only met my predecessor George a few times, but I recall the politeness of a kind and

thoughtful man who had a great amount of wisdom about civic life, having served many years in the Royal Air Force in his youth, and a great many more as a Parish Minister.

“A true gentleman, George was the first Liberal Democrat to become Lord Provost of Edinburgh. He was a local politician for Queensferry, where he lived with his wife Liz. The two became very close to a great number of people in the area. On behalf of everyone in the city he represented for so long, I wish to pass on my sincere condolences to Liz and the rest of the family. He will be missed by and remembered fondly by all who knew him.”