

Dear receiver,

On the 10th of June my father, Harold "Bud" Lawson sadly passed away at the palliative care hospital close to his home. This was nothing that neither he or we as a family was prepared for. In his last week I helped my father to write this text below and it was one of his final wishes that you specifically would receive this.,

Regards

Adrian

Dear relatives, friends and colleagues,

Despite all efforts to handle my three types of cancer it looks like I will not recover so I take this opportunity to say my final thank you for our relation over the years.

I may have duplicated you with this email but each and everyone has played an important part in my life.

It's hard to summarize a 70 year career in a few words but the latest description of my career you will find most of it in my attached document.

You can also access my career information on my linkedin account and also the systems book series through: <https://www.thesystemslandscape.com/>

The most known concept that I have been given credit and acknowledgement for by the IEEE Computer Society Charles Babbage is the pointer variable.

I have also made some the early inroads to automatic train control through the first microprocessor controlled system.

My experiences in developing the international standard that has influenced systems and software micro process development namely ISO/IEEE 15288 has had.

Finally I was recognized for my life long professional contributions by the IEEE Simon Ramo Awards Committee.

I would appreciate if you forward this message to anyone who you think should be aware of my situation and should have this information.

You have all been good relatives friends and colleagues and I wish you all the best in the future. I also want to express my love for my family and especially my wife Annika who has helped in every possible way since I was diagnosed with this terrible disease but also during our years together enabling me to spend to time and work for my passion.

With the help of my former colleague Zebo Peng we have managed to start a non profit foundation (stiftelse in swedish) called Lawson Stipendium (Lawson Scholarship in English) at Linköpings University department of Computer Science. I have made a start donation of 50 000 SEK and the foundation will be open for national and international contributions through SEB-bank in Sweden (Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken). Each year the board of directors will select a graduate student whos work reflects significant international contributions to Computer Science or Computer Engineering. The amount of scholarship will based on current balance of the organisations assets.

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This email has been written by my son Adrian together with me at the Palliative Care Hospital. If you wish to reply to this email please reply to Adrians e-mail adress ([adrian.angrepp@gmail.com](mailto:adrian.angrepp@gmail.com)). You may also contact Adrian in the future for any further questions about my carrer, future projects involving my career.

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Simon Ramo Medal Award

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