

Vale: Wayne “Sticks” Clifford

1948 – 2022



8 March 2022. Late of Engadine.
Daily Telegraph

Loving husband of Mary, best mate to his sons Jim and Steve and daughters in law Tracey and Jane. Incredible Pop to Matt, Luke, Zoe and Paige. Loved brother to the Thompson family and treasured by the Clifford and Ellis clans.

Aged 74 Years. Always Loved.

A funeral service will be held at St John Bosco Catholic Church 46 Waratah Road, Engadine on Wednesday 16 March 2022 at 10.30am.

In lieu of flowers donations to the Leukemia Foundation would be appreciated.

Dean Russell
General Manager NSW Touch

It is with sadness the NSWTA advises the passing of a former NSW Captain Wayne 'Sticks' Clifford. He passed peacefully after a short illness.

Wayne represented the NSWTA in the all-conquering senior team of the late '80s and 90's that moved through the years in Men's 35's, Men's 40's and Men's 45's. He first represented in 1985 as a member of the Men's 35s team and again gained selection in the same team in 1988. In 1991 he was selected in the Men's 40, captaining the team in 1993. He then served as captain of our first Men's 45's team in 1994 and remained in that role through to 1997.

Wayne was also selected for the Australian Men's 40s in 1991, 1992 and 1993. He was also selected to the national Men's 45 teams in 1997.



A smooth mover with great evasion skills and agility, he also processed a deft passing game. He was a stalwart of the Cronulla Touch Association team of the 80's and 90's that won 9 State Cups in 13 years in the Men's 35, 40 and 45's. He also represented with distinction the old "Region 7" through the same period.

Anyone who was lucky enough to come across Wayne, either at Touch Football or life in general, will attest to him being one of the sport's true gentlemen.

Our thoughts and wishes are with the Clifford family at this sad time.

