

Death of Dr. Irving Rothchild

Email Announcement

Sad news has reached us that Irving Rothchild, M.D., Ph.D., Emeritus Professor of Reproductive Biology at Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine, Cleveland, Ohio, died January 9, 2006, at the age of 92.

Dr. Rothchild received the Carl Hartman Award in 1994. He was a Charter Member of SSR, and he also served as Associate Editor of *Biology of Reproduction* during its first year (1969-1969), on the Local Arrangements Committee (1982-1983), and the Endowment Subcommittee of the Development Committee (2001-2003).

Dr. Rothchild's most recent work, "Induction, Deduction, and the Scientific Method: An Eclectic Overview of the Practice of Science," was published on the SSR Web site on January 6, 2006.

Irv's Last Poem (January 2006)

I've said farewell to science, laced
With Nature's quirks and charms,
To chocolate, cheese and almond paste,
Bach, Mozart, Schubert, Brahms...

I've said goodbye to movies, too,
Biking trips and walks,
To beer, wine, gin—a fond *adieu*
And to swimming, poker, talks...

To many friends I've said good-bye,
Farewells to many places;
Au revoirs replaced by the need to cry
For the loss of dear embraces

And now, dear friends and kin, a last
Good-bye to all I know.
'Till now life's been a super blast!
And now it's time to go...

Obituary (*New York Times*, 12 January 2006)

ROTHCHILD-Irving, M.D. On January 9, 2006 in Cleveland, Ohio. Beloved husband of Dr. Ellen Newman Rothchild; brother of Joseph & Herbert and the late Edna Gamson. Scientist,

writer, poet, Professor Emeritus of Reproductive Biology at Case Western Reserve University. Scientific research was his life's work and world recognition his reward.