



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Dr Païdoussis:

The three of us want to thank you for the memorial journal that was printed in memory of Owen. While the journal made the reality of his death more vivid, it also showed us what an impact Owen had while he was still alive and even after his death. Reading the journal showed us that he was a deeply respected and admired man. It also verified what we have always known—that he was an extremely intelligent man. The efforts of all his colleagues (those who were published and those who would have liked to have been) are a special tribute to his memory and his career.

We are proud and happy to let you and other readers of the *Journal of Fluids and Structures* know that there is another way in which to remember Owen. Through efforts of his family, friends and colleagues, a memorial award entitled **The Owen M. Griffin Memorial for Excellence in Fluid Mechanics** will be presented each year to a selected graduate student at the University of Notre Dame who has completed his/her thesis in the area of fluid mechanics. If anyone would like to be a part of this honor to Owen, contributions are being accepted at the University of Notre Dame in the care of Dr. Al Szewczyk, Notre Dame, Indiana 46556-5637.

Again we want to thank everyone who contributed a paper or was in any way responsible for the special memorial issue of the *Journal of Fluids and Structures*. It is of much comfort to us now and perhaps even more so later on to know that Owen and his work will continue to be remembered. We miss him greatly and wish that he would have been able to continue his career—it seemed that in some respects it was just starting to really take off. Hopefully, though, his colleagues will continue on with their work and, in their efforts, will also continue on with Owen's.

Sincerely,

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