IN MEMORIAM: GARY BORTOLOTTI, 1954–2011

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Gary Bortolotti, AOU member since 1978, Elective Member (1993) and Fellow (2006), was born on 17 August 1954 in Smith’s Falls, Ontario. Gary was stricken with acute myelogenous leukemia late in May 2011, which, with the subsequent chemotherapy, left him severely immunocompromised. Further complications from a severe respiratory infection led to his sudden death on 3 July 2011.

Gary grew up in Toronto, where he attended Northview Heights Collegiate in North York. He obtained a BSc. in forestry at the University of Toronto (1977). While working on his forestry degree, he became more interested in birds than in the trees. He switched to zoology and, with the support of a series of fellowships and grants from Hawk Mountain Sanctuary, the National Wildlife Federation, the World Wildlife Fund, the Eagle Foundation, and the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC), became a doctoral student. Gary worked under Jon C. Barlow on evolution of the growth rate and nestling sex ratio...