



RÉJEAN LACHAPELLE, 1944-2018

Réjean Lachapelle died in Gatineau, Quebec, on Saturday, April 28th, 2018 at the age of 73. Born in Montreal, Réjean Lachapelle studied anthropology and demography at the Université de Montréal, then in Paris, in population genetics and epidemiology.

His career is very varied. He has taught at the university, directed work at a private research institute, and held public service management positions in both the Quebec government and the federal government. In 1968 and 1969, he made numerous population projections as research officer at the Castonguay-Nepveu Commission. He was later Assistant Professor of Demography and Statistics at the Faculty of Medicine at the Université de Sherbrooke. From 1975 to 1979, he conducted and co-ordinated research at the Institute for Policy Research on the situation of language groups in Canada. He then headed for four years the Research Directorate of the Quebec Ministry of Cultural Communities and Immigration. Starting in 1984, he held a number of positions at Statistics Canada, including Director of the Demography Division and Director of the Division of Demolinguistic Studies.

As President of the Association des démographes du Québec in 1976-1977, he was also President of the Federation of Canadian Demographers from 1990 to 1993. He also served as President of the Organizing Committee of the XXIInd International Conference on Population (IUSSP) held at the Palais des Congrès in Montreal in August 1993.

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