

## Peter Loizos

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Sadly, on Friday night March 2nd, Peter Loizos died in London. He is survived by his wife Gill and three children. Professor Emeritus of anthropology at the London School of Economics and Political Science, Peter worked there from 1969 to 2002 and headed the department for a time. During the past six years he returned to teaching at the School of Oriental and African Studies, where he was an inspiration to numerous anthropology and film students until last year. He carried out long term research in Cyprus since the 1960s, made 4 films, edited many volumes and wrote several monographs.

Amongst his important contributions, readers of this blog will be familiar with the book *Innovation in Ethnographic Film: From Innocence to Self-consciousness, 1955-1985*. Chicago: Univ. Press.

Other key publications include:

Loizos, P. 2008. *Iron in the Soul: Displacement, Livelihood and Health in Cyprus*. Oxford: Berghahn Books.

Loizos, P. and Heady, P, (eds.) 1999. *Conceiving Persons: Ethnographies of Procreation, Fertility and Growth*. London: LSE Monographs on Social Anthropology/Athlone Press.

Loizos, P. & Euthymios Papataxiarch?s 1991. *Contested Identities: Gender and Kinship in Modern Greece*. Princeton: Univ. Press.

Loizos, P. 1975. *The Greek Gift: Politics in a Cypriot Village*. London: St Martin's Press.

Heavily involved with the 'ancestors interviews', Peter was himself interviewed by Alan Macfarlane on Sept 14 2002. [See here](#).

See also Charles Stewart's obituary in [the Guardian](#)