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Glenn Britton

Tasmania has lost one of its forest industry giants with the passing of forest industry champion Glenn Britton last Friday.

Member for Braddon Gavin Pearce noted that Tasmania has had three Parliamentarians in the Federal Forestry portfolio in recent times who were all greatly assisted by Glenn’s personal knowledge and insights.

Senator for Tasmania Richard Colbeck said Glen Britton’s leadership of Britton Timbers continues a generational family legacy of excellence in the forest industry exceeding 110 years that continues today.

“Glenn has led Circular Head-based Britton Timbers through the turbulence of many years of conflict in the forest industry to shape the business into a strong and sustainable one that is a leader in high-quality and specialty timber supply in Tasmania and enjoys a quality reputation nationally.

“Glenn also played a frontline leadership role as chair of the Forest Industry Association for many years, leading the push to defend the importance and sustainability of the native forest sector to the Tasmanian economy and regional communities.

“Glenn is also a good friend, I have enjoyed many warm conversations around the magnificent Blackwood table in Britton’s Smithton board room and at many forest industry events around the country.

“I extend my warmest sympathies to Glenn’s family, members of the Britton’s business family and those in the broader forest industry community.”

Assistant Minister for Forestry and Fisheries Jonathon Duniam said Mr Britton would leave behind a lasting legacy in the state’s North West.

“Britton Timbers has been synonymous with the industry for a long period of time in the North West and Glenn was a key part of its continued success and evolution into an international timber powerhouse.

“His tireless work in growing the business has provided work to hundreds of Tasmanians, as well as being a key driver for the State’s North West economy.”
Former Minister for Fisheries, Forestry and Conservation, Senator Eric Abetz, said, “Glenn will be missed by all who knew him. On behalf of the Tasmanian Federal Liberal Team I extend sincere condolences to his wife Anita and their children, his broader family and members of his forest industry family and friends.”

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