OBITUARY



DR. P. R. MALUR 16th July 1945 - 12th January 2023

Born on 16th July 1945, Dr Prakash Rudrappa Malur did his schooling from St. Pauls High School in Belgaum. He passed his MBBS from J. N. Medical College (JNMC), Belgaum in 1971 and joined his Alma mater as Lecturer in Anatomy department in 1972. After a short stint in Anatomy he went to do his MD (Pathology & Bacteriology) from Karnatak Medical College (now KIMS) at Hubli. After completing his post graduation in 1976, Dr Malur rejoined JMNC in department of Pathology, where Dr. S. J. Nagalotimath was HOD of Pathology. Here Dr Malur was exposed to a whole new world of learning, work culture and dedication. He was closely associated with Dr. Nagalotimath in building one of the finest Pathology Museum in our country at J. N. M. C, Belgaum. Later Dr Malur went on to be the HOD of Pathology and retired in 2010. He also served as Professor of Pathology and Principal Specialist at Eastern Cape University of Walter Sisulu, in Mthamtha, South Africa for 4 years (1994 to 1998). Dr. Malur was heading the Histopathology Section at Dr. Prabhakar Kore KLE Hospital Hitech Laboratory, Belgaum. He joined USM-KLE International Medical Program School of Medical Sciences, Belgaum as Head of Pathology in 2011 and served there till his last day.

Dr. Malur was an avid reader and researcher. He has authored many research papers and also contributed a chapter in the IAPM Textbook of Pathology.

He was a good teacher and was admired by all his UG & PG students. He was a kind and helpful person. He loved travelling and made many friends. He attended almost all conferences. I had a close association with Dr. Malur. He was my senior since school days till we did our PG and worked together in the same department for many years. Coincidentally, I even took over as HOD immediately after his tenure. We had a very good rapport throughout our association as friends during student days and as Peers/ Colleagues during our professional life. He was always there to help and guide. We travelled together for many conferences. He will be missed forever now.

Dr. Malur breathed his last in the early hours on 12th of January 2023. He is survived by his wife Mrs Geetha [A Homemaker] and a daughter Dr Sanjeela (A Dentist) and son Mr. Amit (An Engineer). Heartfelt condolences to his family. We pray to the Almighty to rest his Soul in peace and give strength to his family to face the sudden demise of Dr Malur.

Dr. Prakash V. Patil Past President IAPM (2002) Ex HOD Pathology, JNMC