## **Obituary**



Mr. Mohammed Talib Al-Hassani, FRCS 23.11.1939 - 16.4.2013

Dr. Al-Hassani was born in the South of Iraq (Al-Emara), raised in a respected and holy family that is well known in science, religion and commerce.

He had his primary and secondary school education in Al-Emara, after that he moved to become a medical student in Baghdad Medical College in 1957, graduated as MBChB, in 1963, after graduation he joined the military service for two years.

In 1965, he started his urological journey by becoming a registrar in urology in Baghdad General Hospital.

In 1968, he moved to the United Kingdom as a postgraduate student, preparing for the FRCS, had his training for four years in Sheffield, Gloucester & Bristol.

In 1972, he became a Mr. instead of Dr. after satisfying the examiners in The Royal College of Surgeons.

Back to his first country to serve Iraq and Iraqi in 1973, he worked in peripheral hospitals for seven years.

In 1979, he landed in the Urology Department in Al-Karama Hospital as a Consultant Urologist where he stayed till the year 1990, during this period he proved himself as a well disciplined hard working young surgeon actively participating in teaching both

post and under graduate students. He was very generous teacher transferring all his experience to his students.

In 1990, he moved to the Urology Department in Al-Yarmook University Teaching Hospital as one of the teaching staff in Al-Mustanseryah Medical College, were he proved himself as a distinguished teacher and surgeon.

In addition, he was practicing as a consultant for male infertility in Al-Elwiah Sterility Centre.

1996 he moved to enjoy the retirement life and to practice his carrier in his private clinic in the centre of Baghdad.

He spent two years of his life in the United Arab Emirates as a Consultant Urologist in Al-Sharjah. He was a man with manners, well beloved by his students, his patients and his family.

He showed very special interest in attending International Conferences in Sweden, UK, Germany, in addition to Arabic and National Conferences.

Given so many scientific awards and honorary certificates, he was a member of eight medical societies.

His special hobbies were in collecting unique carpets, furniture, hard beads, and antiques.

Also, he was found of journeys, he was a strong follower of Emam Ali, and use to pronounce his sayings every day.

Finally, he was honored by Al-Haj to visit the Holy Mecca and the Prophet Mosque, he survived short period after his arrival from Al-Haj, moved to Jordan to die there on the 16 of April 2013. He is survived by his wife and three respected daughters.

We pray for him and we ask the Great Allah to accommodate him in his Heaven InShaAllah.

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