



IN MEMORIAM

CUAJ honours its members and friends who have passed away. We invite colleagues of the deceased to submit brief remembrances. Please limit your notice to 200 words. Send your notice to journal@cua.org or fax it to 514-395-1664.

Dr. Ahmad Elbadawi

Dr. Elbadawi died on March 27, 2010, at the age of 75. He was born, raised and attended medical school in Cairo, Egypt, and completed his postdoctoral training at the University of Rochester School of Medicine in December of 1972. Over the next 30 years, Dr. Elbadawi was a dedicated professor, researcher and writer in the fields of surgical pathology and urology.

He held hospital and academic appointments at the Ministry of Health, Saudi Arabia, Alexandria (Egypt) University Hospital, Strong Memorial Hospital and Upstate University Hospital, where he spent the majority of his career. He held visiting professorship positions at Brown University, University of Pennsylvania, University of Michigan, Hammersmith Hospital (London, England), Dalhousie University (Halifax, Canada), Mansoura University (Mansoura, Egypt), University of Alberta (Edmonton, Canada), McGill University (Montreal, Canada), University of Zurich (Zurich, Switzerland) and Herlev Hospital (Herlev, Denmark). During his tenure at Upstate University Hospital from 1981 to 2002, Dr. Elbadawi was a professor of pathology and urology, a member of 10 committees and served as director of the Surgical Pathology Department and director of the Histopathology Laboratory. Dr. Elbadawi was respected and admired by his peers worldwide as a leading researcher and writer. He was a member of 20 national and international medical and professional societies, chaired two committees of the Urodynamics Society and served on three World Health Organization committees.

Dr. Elbadawi cherished his family and particularly his wife. In addition to being survived by his wife of 49 years, Nabila Elbadawi, M.D., Ahmad is survived by his two children, Molly (Trey) Phillips of Melrose, MA, and Sam (Kathy) Elbadawi of Fayetteville, NY, and 5 grandchildren.

Dr. Elisabeth Pauline Pickett

Dr. Pickett died on February 14, 2010, at the age of 91. She broke the gender barriers in medicine when she became the first female general surgeon to complete a fellowship in urological oncology in 1955 at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital. She achieved her general surgery boards in 1961, and in 1962, she became the first board certified female urologist in the United States.

Dr. Pickett went on to hold multiple concurrent academic positions at Memorial Sloan Kettering Hospital, New York Hospital, Instructor in Urological Surgery at Cornell University Medical School, New York Infirmary, and as a Research Fellow at Sloan Kettering Institute. Dr. Pickett also trained Afghan physicians and treated hundreds of patients in Afghanistan during a several-month stint in the 1970s. In 1994, the Society of Women in Urology established the Elisabeth Pickett Research Award. Fifteen female fellows have received the annual award since 1995. More than 50 years later, only a minority of female residents pursues urology fellowships.

Dr. Pickett was also an avid mountain climber and scaled most of the Alps. Her favourite time outside the operating room was spent in the outdoors. She was dearly loved by her family and will be greatly missed.