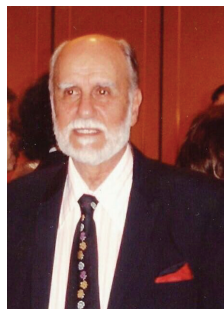


Obituary

Professor Reza Gharib, Pioneering Medical Teacher of Shiraz School of Medicine

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Professor Reza Gharib (1929–2017)

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Dr. Reza Gharib, Professor of Pediatrics at the Shiraz School of Medicine. Dr. Gharib passed away on March 8, 2017 in the United States, due to a massive pulmonary embolism. His untimely death is a great loss, not only for his family but also for the Iranian medical community, particularly his former students, medical residents and colleagues.

Dr. Gharib was born in 1929 in Tehran. After graduating from the Alborz High School, he enrolled in the Tehran School of Medicine in 1948 and obtained his medical degree in 1954. He then traveled to the U.S. to continue his training in pediatrics at the Mayo Clinic. He specialized in pediatric cardiology at the University of Minnesota and obtained American Board certification.

Upon his return to Iran, the young Dr. Gharib worked at the newly founded Namazi Hospital in Shiraz between 1958 and 1960. He then joined the Shiraz Medical Faculty in 1960 as an Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and became full Professor in 1971. He was dean of School of Medicine at Shiraz University from 1981–1985. He has published over 40 medical papers in national and international pediatric journals, in addition to a Persian textbook on the signs and symptoms of childhood diseases. After four decades of outstanding educational and medical endeavors, he eventually retired in 2000. He had been a permanent member of the Iranian Academy of Medical Sciences since 1990.¹

The medical community of Shiraz will remember Dr. Gharib as a superb physician and a great mentor, having trained hundreds of medical students and pediatric residents over the course of his career.

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He is survived by his wife, Dr. Parvin Sadeghi, former professor of community medicine at the Shiraz School of Medicine, his three children are also physicians and eight grandchildren. His memory will continue to live on in the hearts of those he has healed, taught and inspired.

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Professor R.Gharib(first from left) ,and his colleagues at the Pediatric Department of the Shiraz School of Medicine -1977(courtesy of Dr.Ahmmad Madani-Shiraz)



Professor R. Gharib (third from left) and several Shiraz Medical School's professors and graduates (courtesy of Dr. Gh. Raiees Jalali, Shiraz)



Professor R. Gharib (first standing row, second from left) and his colleagues- Academy of Medical Sciences of I.R.-Tehran