

In memoriam

Guido Lombardi 19 December 1914–13 February 1985

Guido Lombardi who died suddenly on February 13, 1985 was born in Milan on December 19, 1914.

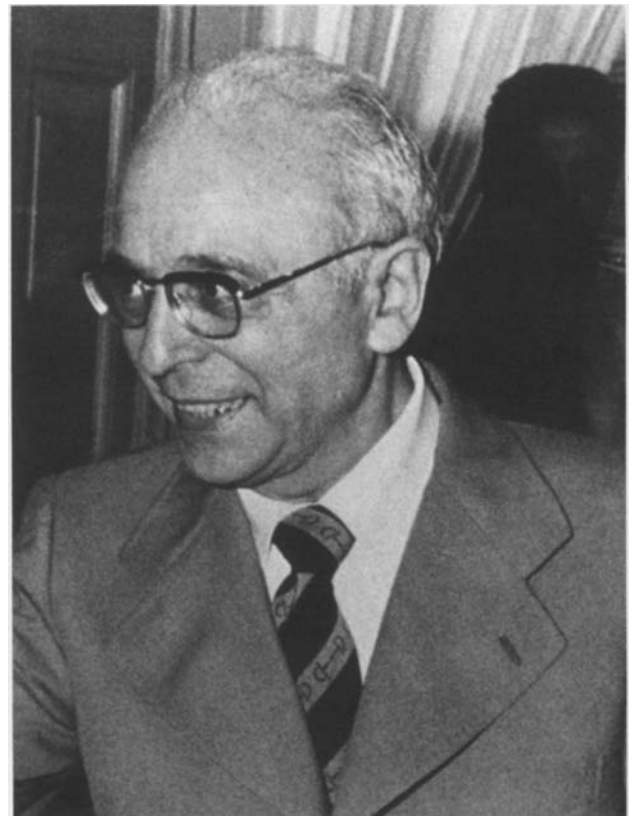
After attending the Liceo Leone XIII and the Medical School in Milan he received the degree of Doctor of Medicine from the University of Milan on June 19, 1942, served his residency in radiology and was graduated Summa cum Laude on November 16, 1942. After certification, he practiced Neuroradiology beginning in 1943 at the Istituto Neurologico "C. Besta" of Milan under the direction of Professor Fermo Mascherpa, where, from October 1, 1959 till December 31, 1978 he was chief of the service. He had been consultant radiologist of the Istituto Oftalmico of Milan since July 1954. Libero Docente at the University of Milan, he taught Neuroradiology in Milan and was Guest Professor at the University of Berne.

Guido Lombardi was a nationally and internationally renowned authority in Neuroradiology, having more than 150 scientific publications and 6 books to his credit, many of them in English, his most important contributions being "Spinal cord diseases" and "Radiology in Neuro-Ophthalmology". He was a noted lecturer throughout the world.

He developed or improved many innovative techniques such as the association of tomography with encephalography, orbital angiography and phlebography, and myelography. Guido Lombardi received a Gold Medal from the City of Milan. He was one of the founder members of the Italian Society of Neuroradiology and later became President of the Society.

His life was hampered by his cardiac disease; however, even after open heart surgery in 1968, he continued his scientific activity and his teaching.

Guido Lombardi was a very quiet man, interested also in historical and humanistic studies: his preferred subject was the history of the Popes, in which he was extremely knowledgeable. Even after retirement, he kept contact with



his many colleagues to whom he generously gave his thoughtful advice and counsel. His death, therefore, has left a deep sense of loss in all those who knew him.

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