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## OBITUARY

We deeply mourn the sad demise of Prof. P. P. Karnik who passed away on the 19th of July, 1998. Prof P. P. Karnik was one of the stalwarts in the ENT fraternity and was instrumental in bringing about radical improvements in the discipline. Prof. P. P. Karnik had retired as the head of the ENT dept. of KEM Hospital in 1984 but had kept himself involved in active clinical practice till the last day of his life. Prof P. P. Karnik was very widely respected and was immensely popular through out the country. He was one of the very few persons who had the privilege of being elected President of AOI (1982) uncontested. Prior to this, Prof. Karnik had served our Association in various capacities. In addition to being a renowned academician and one of the finest ENT surgeons we have ever had, Prof. Karnik's greatest contribution to our discipline has been in the making of some of the best otolaryngologists in the country. He was reputed to be a very good teacher and it was due to him that many best students of KEM took up ENT as their field of specialisation year after year. Most of the ENT celebrities of today are all his disciples. It is with a heavy heart that we salute this great teacher of the teachers—Prof. P. P. Karnik.



**Prof. P. P. Karnik**

Born : 1.8.1926    Died : 19.7.1998

Prof. P. P. Karnik leaves behind his wife and two sons—one of whom Probodh is now a renowned ENT Surgeon and is at present the Hony. Secy. of AOI.

May his soul rest in eternal peace.