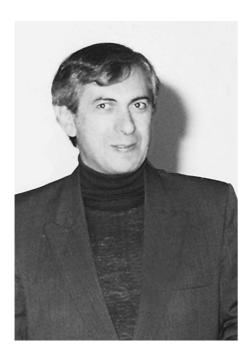
OBITUARY Professor Parviz Jabalameli



It is with great sadness that *Urology Journal* announces professor Jabalalemi's passing after years of struggle with cancer, in July 2006, at the age of 62 years. He will be forever remembered by his colleagues not only as a great physician, but also as a brilliant teacher in clinic, university, and life.

He was born in 1944, in the town of Shahroud, Iran. In 1973, he graduated from Tehran University of Medical Sciences and decided to specialize in dermatology, but after six months of studying that, he shifted to urology and turned out to be one of professor Alaedin Manouchehri's best residents. Then, he could join the Department of Urology in Sina Hospital and soon thereafter was appointed to the Chair in Urology in 1980.

The Iran-Iraq war began in 1980 and he went to the war-torn cities and spent about 2 years treating the wounded. After returning to Tehran, he was elected as the president of Sina Hospital in 1983. Dr Jabalameli was entitled the Associate Professor of Urology in 1987 and 1 year later, he was appointed as the Dean of the Medical Faculty of Tehran University of Medical Sciences. He never stopped learning; he attended advanced courses on urological oncology, kidney

transplantation, and endourology at the Cleveland Clinic, Pittsburgh Medical Faculty of Pennsylvania University, and Claude Bernard University.

Thanks to his efforts, the Kidney Transplantation Department of Imam Khomeini was established in 1988 and the first fellowship program of urological oncology was started in 1996. Also, publishing several books and papers and training many current famous urologists in Iran were the outcomes of his fruitful scientific activities.

Professor Jabalameli was considered one of the most eminent surgeons to whom urology, young a specialty as it is in Iran, is greatly indebted. He was the Section Editor of Urological Oncology in the *Urology Journal*. We, in the editorial team are greatly sorry to lose him. We extend our deepest condolences to his bereaved family and the urologists' society.