Obituary
Prof. Dr. Hanna Qawar, FRCS
1944 – 2008

Dr. Hanna Qawar died on 7th of January 2008 at his Centre for Arthroscopic Surgery in Amman–Jordan because of sudden and severe cardiac attack without any previous markers of cardiac disease.

He was born in Al-Saalt–Jordan, his father was a government officer, who worked very hard to support his education, his father died in a young age, so his support came from his mother, in his believe his mother was a great and very caring mother, sacrificed everything to keep him and his brothers in the best possible level, he was really very fond of her, very much impressed by her.

His premedical education was obtained in different localities in Amman the capital of Jordan.

He received an M.D. from Istanbul University School of Medicine in June 1970. He went back home to his birth place in 1971, where he started his residency in a Military Hospital for three years, after that he left to UK for postgraduate training in Orthopaedic and Traumatology in Manchester, Whiten Haven, Glasgow and Edinburgh (Victoria Hospital, Kirkcaldy). He had good chance of training in almost all Orthopaedic subspecialty, then he passed the requirements and the examination for the fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow.

In 1980 he was back home to his lovely Amman to practice Orthopaedic and Trauma Surgery in a private hospital.

In 1984 he established a private Arthroscopic Surgery Clinic, and by doing so he deserved to be called the “Father of Arthroscopic Surgery in the Middle East”, he started improving his interest in his favourite subspeciality by attending so many courses in USA, UK, Germany and many other International Centres for Arthroscopic Surgery till he became a “Pioneer” in his specialty.

His Arthroscopic Centre became very distinguished in the Middle East very well known, had so many patients from all over Arabia. He contributed to science by one book and several articles.

His interest in Medicine, did not stop him from practicing sport activities which he use to have almost everyday, he was a famous tennis player. He was the founder of the Jordanian Sport Medicine and a member of so many national and international sport federations and committees.

His achievements were very striking in Amman, and this made him unique and very much respected person in the eyes of not only the people but the King and the Queen of Jordan. He was no doubt a man of achievements, a notable name in the history of Jordanian Medical Practice.

What was really distinguished, was his serious interest to help everybody, to teach the junior staff, to love all the human being, he never stop smiling, he was very happy man, with a very happy family, all human beings look equal to him, he never puts any account for religion, race, or colour, all the human being were relative to him. A man
with a very smooth and very kind words, very encouraging, very impressive, lovely and very helpful.
Hanna is survived by his wife “Heyam” to her he was very faithfull, two sons, one daughter and one grandson.
Hanna was a committed, competent, and caring doctor who was beloved not only by his patients but also by his colleagues in Orthopaedic and other practices. Hanna was never happier than when communicating his knowledge and his wide experience to his residents and colleagues. He was devoted to his family, his carrier and a wide circle of friends. His death was a great loss, not only to Medicine, but also to the community at large, by his departure to Heaven I felt really lost with no substitute of a very honest and sincere brother. I shall pray for him asking the Great God, to look very gently after him, in his Heaven because I feel he deserve this highly respected place.
We are all for the God and we are back to him sooner or later weather we like it or not.

Your brother

T.A. Hamdan