

**TRIBUTE TO DR ZAINAL BIN MOHAMAD**

Dr Zainal bin Mohamad  
09.08.1959 – 07.02.2021

The late Dr Zainal bin Mohamad was born on 9th August 1959 at the Kajang District Hospital. From an early age, he showed an aptitude for the books as well as extracurricular activities. Enrolled in the prestigious St John's Institution in Kuala Lumpur for his secondary education, he was an active debater as well as a member of the school band. After high school, he pursued his medical undergraduate degree at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) and obtained his MD (UKM) in 1985. A strong interest and an inquisitive mind led him to further train as an ophthalmologist in UKM. His willingness to impart knowledge to others led to him being appointed as a Lecturer in the Department of Ophthalmology, UKM in 1991.

He took his career to the next level by completing his fellowship in Paediatric Ophthalmology in Nottingham, United Kingdom in 1998. He then joined the Tun Hussein Onn National Eye Hospital (THONEH) in 1999, where he served as the Consultant Paediatric Ophthalmologist and Refractive Surgeon with distinction until his last day. His quiet and unassuming demeanour belie the various leadership positions that he held. Dr Zainal was appointed the Person-In-Charge in THONEH on 17th April 2015. He became the Honorary Secretary of the Malaysian Medical Association (MMA)'s Ophthalmological Society from 1994 to 1997, and he was also actively involved as a committee member of Masjid Jamilhuda in Ampang.

In his pastime, his favourite indulgences include travelling and reading. He is survived by his wife and 3 children, all of whom have successful careers as professionals.

The loss of one of our own still rattles many in the fraternity. We have lost a humble teacher and skilled surgeon. Our deepest condolences to his family. May Allah grant him a higher place in Jannah.



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