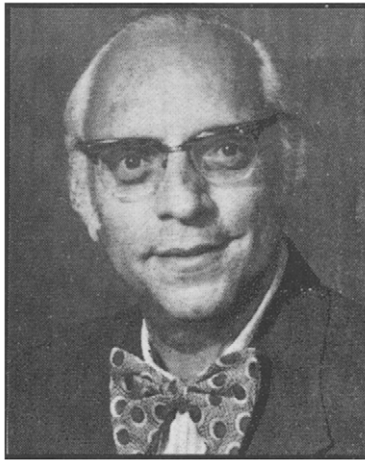


# In Memoriam



**1934-2011**

Dr. Nandkumar H. Keswani was born in Larkana, Sindh (Now in Pakistan). He graduated from G.S. Medical College Bombay. He was the first appointed Professor and one of the founding leaders at AIIMS from its inception in 1956. He served as Professor of Anatomy and History of Medicine and later Dean and Interim Director. he was instrumental in elevating AIIMS to its sustentative status as one of India's leading medical schools and research institutions.

He was visionary and had leadership qualities. he was elected as the youngest President of Anatomical Society of Inda. Besides anatomy, he also researched and taught about the long and illustrious history of indian medicine from ancient times onwards. he was very popular with students. Thousand of his students around the world, many of whom have themselves become parents, teachers, physicians, faculty and leaders in various fields, will miss him dearly, and they aspire to emulate his life of scholarship, principled character, wisdom and loving mentorship. He left for his heavenly abode on 25th May, 2011 in USA at the age of 87. he used to say that India was his Janam and Matra Bhoomi and almost half of the world was his Karam Bhoomi. He was strongly influenced by Mahatma Ghandi and had participated in Indian's freedom movement. In 1964, he was honored by Mayo Clinic for being an "Outstanding Teacher of Anatomy; expert medical historian and authority on ancient Indian medicine" influential leader in the social cultural life.