OBITUARY

Prof. Dr. Doğan Çoker (1951 - 2003)

It is with the deepest sorrow that we must place on record the death of Prof. Dr. Doğan Çoker on January 8, 2003. With his passing we have lost a dearly loved teacher, colleague and friend.

Doğan Çoker was born in Üsküdar in 1951 and began his close association with Hacettepe University as an undergraduate in the newly established Mathematics Department in 1968. He quickly gained the respect and admiration of all around him and went on to build a distinguished academic career, firstly in the Mathematics Department of Hacettepe University, later in the Department of Secondary Mathematics Education of that university and finally, in 1997, in the Department of Mathematics of the Mediterranean University in Antalya.

His free and democratic nature, his enquiring mind, his deep love of Mathematics, of words and of the Turkish Language, will continue to be an example to us all. We are eternally grateful to him for his contributions to Mathematics, and for presenting to his students such eternal virtues as "intelligence, knowledge and love."

Prof. Dr. Haydar Eş

ANNOUNCEMENT

Special Issue in Memory of Prof. Dr. Doğan Çoker

The *Hacettepe Journal of Mathematics and Statistics* seeks original research papers in General Topology and related areas, with particular emphasis on Fuzzy Sets and Fuzzy Topology, for a special issue of the journal dedicated to the memory of Prof. Dr. Doğan Çoker. Further information may be obtained from the Mathematics Department Web Page at `www.mat.hacettepe.edu.tr/`

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