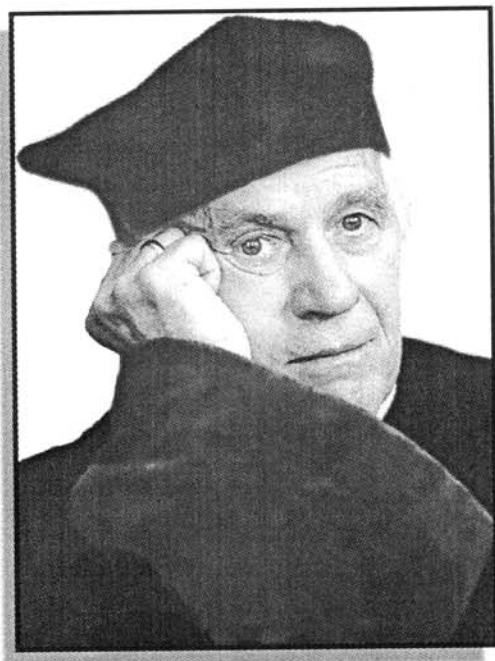


Prof. Dr, Dr h.c. Eugeniusz Grabda 1908-1997. In Memoriam



On May 12, 1997, Professor Dr rer. nat. Eugeniusz Grabda, a renowned scientist and zoologist specialising in ichthyology, and founder of the Polish school of fish parasitology, passed away at the age of 87. He was known as the author of many academic text-books, and founder and long-time editor-in-chief of a scientific journal "Acta Ichthyologica et Piscatoria". He had been Professor of the Agricultural Universities at Wrocław, Olsztyn, and Szczecin, Research Associate of the Warsaw University, President and two-term Dean of the University of Agriculture at Olsztyn, and co-founder of the Faculty of Marine Fisheries of the University of Agriculture at Szczecin, as well as the author or co-author of over 300 publications on zoology, fish diseases and fish parasitology.

Prof. Grabda guided and supervised over 100 Master's students, 23 Ph.D. students, and was an advisor for 8 habilitation (D.Sc.) applicants. He leaves behind others, like himself educated, gifted and dedicated to scientific work-clear evidence of the impact of his teaching. His achievements did not stop there. His mission to teach also focused on the practical. He taught a number of courses for deep-sea fishermen, fishing-vessel technologists, and veterinarians.

Professor Eugeniusz Grabda, as few people could do, was able to combine his scientific activities-carried out with real passion-with broad social activity in the area of the protection of the natural environment and its resources. He also was very active sitting on advisory boards for governmental ministries, committees for the Polish Academy of Sciences, and ministerial research institutes.

He was respected and simply admired by the students with whom, in his prime, he could cross the country with back-pack, showing them how to love and respect the natural beauty of the Motherland.

He was by all means a man of integrity, honest in his conduct, exceptionally modest, captivatingly sincere and at the same time-courteous.

When suddenly he was no longer among us, when the heart of this great man ceased to beat, his many students, graduates of the Agricultural Universities in Olsztyn and Szczecin, young and old collaborators, and close friends were seized by deep sorrow.

His friends and students, who gathered in great numbers at the beautiful Szczecin cemetery, remain convinced that he is not entirely gone, and that his personality will live on in his work and also in ourselves. He was our teacher and each of us have inherited something from him.

Peace to his memory

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