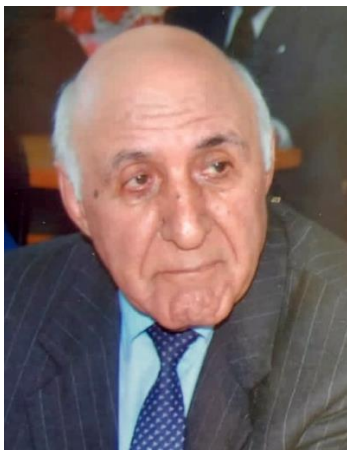


## TO THE MEMORY OF PROFESSOR FARZALI AGAMALIYEV



Azerbaijani biologist, doctor of biological sciences, professor **Farzali Agamaliyev** left us and his loved ones on 21 June 2024.

Farzali Agamaliyev was born on February 5, 1936 in the village of Jomardli, Sisian (Karakilse) region of the Armenian SSR. In 1962, he graduated from the Faculty of Biology of the Azerbaijan State University. In 1968, he got his Ph.D. degree on the topic of “Benthic ciliates of the western coast of the South Caspian and in 1977 Doctor of Sciences degree on the topic of “Free-living ciliates of the Caspian Sea”.

From 1962 to 1978, he worked at the Institute of Zoology of the Academy of Sciences of the Azerbaijan SSR.

From 1979 to 2018, he worked as the Head of the Department of Invertebrate Zoology at Baku State University. He was a favorite teacher of students and for many years taught classes in the disciplines of Invertebrate Zoology, Protozoology, Local Fauna, and Selected Chapters of Invertebrate Zoology.

Farzali Agamaliyev was the author of 130 scientific works, one monograph, 4 books and 5 methodological guidelines. He supervised 4 Ph.D. theses.

The scientist was the first to study the ciliates of the Caspian Sea, identifying 30 new species for science. His monograph “Ciliates of the Caspian Sea”, published in 1983 till now is considered as a fundamental work on this topic.

Farzali Agamaliyev was the first Editor-in-Chief of our journal and did all his best for its developing. We'll always remember him with a fond memory.