Prof. Sultan Ali Sadiq was born on 1st December 1938 in a royal family in Lucknow. He did his MBBS in the year 1961, MS (General Surgery) 1966, MS Orth. 1971, from Darbhanga Medical College, Bihar. Obtained Diploma in Orthopaedics as a teacher candidate in 1971 from J. N. Medical College, AMU, Aligarh. Apart from being an excellent teacher and skilled surgeon, he was known for his punctuality, discipline and leadership qualities.

Prof. Sadiq was instrumental in the development of Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at J.N. Medical College, Aligarh and served this institution for 33 long years. He joined J.N. Medical College as clinical registrar on 1st January 1967 in the department of General Surgery and later on he worked in the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery. He became lecturer in September 1968 and, subsequently became Head of the department of Orthopaedic Surgery. He retired on 30.11.2000 and during his tenure the Orthopaedic department saw new horizons of excellence in all spheres.

Prof. Sadiq had vast teaching experience and guided many Research works. He has guided, published and presented his work at various International, National and State forums. His keen interest in academics, research and patient care is appreciated by one and all. He was Fellow of International College of Surgeons (FICS-1975), Fellow of Royal Academy of Medicine, Ireland (FRAM-1996) and Fellow of International College of Angiologists (FICA-1979). He worked as Common Medical Fellow at Princess Margaret Rose Orthopaedic Hospital, Edinburgh, Scotland, UK & The Royal National Orthopaedic Hospital Great Portland Street, Stanmore, London. He also served as panel expert for the Credential Committee of the International College of Surgeons (Indian Section) in 1998.

Prof. Sadiq was extremely punctual, keen disciplinarian and known for his administrative skills and served the Aligarh Muslim University in various capacities such as, University Proctor, Principal as well as Chief Medical Superintendent of J. N. Medical College. He also served as Joint Secretary in 1982-1984 and as president in 1991 of UP chapter IOA. He was the organizing secretary of 7th Annual Conference UP Chapter, IOA at Aligarh in 1983. He was recipient of Life Time Achievement Award from UP Chapter of IOA in 2012, as well as; Man of The Year Award from American Biographical Institute, Raleigh North Caroline in 1999.

Prof. Sadiq left this world on 22.02.2018. He left a huge legacy of all his qualities among his students who are now contributing as Orthopaedic academicians & surgeons in India and abroad. His death has left an irreplaceable void in this part of orthopaedic world, where he will always be remembered by his discipline, hard work and high thinking. We pray that many happy memories of Prof. Sadiq’s life be with all of us, and with time, overcome the sadness and pain that has accompanied with his demise.

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