

▪ *Editorial*

A Word of Gratitude

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Mrs. NAZLY KABIL

(1928-2020)



Throughout the years, we were honored by devoted nurses, who traced the history of Egyptian nurses in service, education and research, and of whom we are proud. They taught us a lifetime sense of professionalism, a sense of wisdom and moral way of being.

Aiming to raise the awareness of the new generations who joined our noble profession, to be acquainted with these distinguished outstanding figures, hoping that they will be impressed by their leaders and will internalize the nursing profession as a value, Therefore the Egyptian Journal of Nursing & Health Sciences will dedicate to present one of our honorable figures in every edition.

Mrs. Nazly Kabil (1928-2020), a Diploma graduate in Pediatric and Obstetrics' Nursing, Cairo University 1948, had the main interest of woman health.

Positions held: Following her sister career, *Mrs. AidK kabil* , *Mrs. Nazly* was the head of nursing syndicate , serving for better administrative and technical support for nurses .She held the position as nominee for 24 years (1984- 2002), where she was totally devoted for the welfare of the profession. *Mrs. Nazly* was a distinguished nurse consultant for:

- Rural health services at the Ministry of Health,
- Project HOPE for the promotion of health services,
- Mubarak-Kohl Project,
- Head of the nursing department, Heliopolis Health District.
- Had an Honorary board membership, The Egyptian Red Crescent, which was initiated 1912 , as she offered remarkable community services throughout many years reflecting the importance of the nursing profession.

As a result of her multiple roles, she has impacted the presence of a nursing department in the Ministry of Health particularly concerned with rural and community services since the early 60s and the development continued from Nursing General directorate to Undersecretary of Nursing in the mid-2000s.

Volunteer work.

Her contribution for the provision of health services to slum and underserved communities such as Al-Margue and Al-Nahda districts, was notable and appreciated.

Also, she offered health services and aids to the victims of war and at the time of the Earthquake 1992. *Mrs. Nazly*, devoted all her life to community service, even after her retirement from governmental positions.

Awards:

- State Medal of honor 1st degree for her volunteer work 1986,
- Florence Nightingale award, the international Federation of Red Crescent Societies (1997),
- State Medal of Services and Art of the 2nd degree.
- Among distinguished women leaders of the Egyptian community, president ELSici celebrated her achievements as nursing leader and as a Model mother (2018).

Until the age of 92, *Mrs. Nazly* was rendering volunteer health service, her history of dedication will remain in the memory of the generations as a pioneer & advocate for legislative rights of the Egyptian nursing profession.

On Behalf of all Egyptian Nurses,

Thank you Mrs. NAZLY KABIL.

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