## **OBITUARY**

## **Professor Mohamed Abd El-Aziz Zaher**

(1927 - 2022)



On the 12<sup>th</sup> of October 2022, the Egyptian Society of Acarology lost an illustrious and eminent acarologist, Dr M. A. Zaher, Professor of Acarology at the Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University.

Prof. Zaher obtained his BSc in 1948 at the Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University; his master's degree in 1954 from the same place, and his PhD from London University in 1957. He was professor from 1971 until his death.

Prof. Zaher established a branch of mite research and a special building with state-of-the-art laboratories for mite biology and taxonomy. He supervised several postgraduate students and published many notable papers. Moreover, he was also known as "the Father of Acarology" in Egypt and the Middle East. With his death, the Egyptian scientific community lost greatly.

God bless him.