

## CONDOLENCES

### DR. MAHMOUD KEILANI

On behalf of the Editorial Board of the Middle East Journal of Anesthesiology (MEJA), THE Arab Board of Anesthesia and the Pan Arab Federation of the Societies of Anesthesia (PAFSA), I announce with great sorrow and sadness the tragic passing away of Dr. Mahmoud Keilani, a senior Founder of PAFSA who worked sincerely for the foundation and progress of the Federation as a founding member, a secretary and Vice President.

Dr. Keilani was keen to participate in all anesthesia congresses allover the Arab World. During the 9<sup>th</sup> Pan Arab Congress (Sharjah 2009), Dr. Keilani participated actively as a Chairperson and as a speaker about the important subject of "Malignant Hyperthermia". During the 2009 Anesthesia Congress in Amman, Jordan, Dr. Keilani could not participate because of his health. A delegation of the Congress and PAFSA visited him at home, it was indeed a goodbye visit (Fig 1).

Dear Dr. Keilani, we will never forget you, and your major contributions to the anesthesia community allover the Arab World. Our sincerest condolences to the family and to our anesthesia colleagues and societies. May God bless your soul.

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**FIG 1**

Late Dr. Mahmoud Keilani at his home during the visit of the delegation of the Pan Arab Federation of the Societies of Anesthesia (PAFSA)

