



In Memoriam
Professor Mano Lauri Rauramo

We mourn the loss of a dedicated colleague in the field of adolescent and pediatric gynecology. Mano Lauri Rauramo, former Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the University of Turku, Finland, died on November 23, 1987, after a long illness. He was born June 14, 1917 in Viipuri, Karelia. Professor Rauramo was nominated as Docent in 1950. His academic career reached a pinnacle when, in 1964, he was appointed Chairman of the Department of Gynaecology and Obstetrics at the University of Turku. He held this position until 1985. Professor Rauramo's main scientific interests included operative therapy, hormonal treatment, climacterium, and oncology, as well as pediatric and adolescent gynecology. Professor Rauramo was Chairman of the Finnish Gynaecological Society, the Medical Association, and the Society Duodecium. He was one of the first members of FIGIJ and also held the positions of Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Committee for the Study of Gynaecological Problems in Childhood and Adolescence, which gives counsel and reports to the FIGO Board. Professor Rauramo served as Associate Editor of the former international journal *Pediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology*, and was an honorary member of numerous gynecological societies.

In 1975, Professor Rauramo was elected President of FIGIJ. Under his leadership, this organization experienced considerable expansion, including the organization of Triannual World and European Congresses. He served in this capacity until 1985, after which he continued to serve as Honorary President until his death.

Everyone who knew Professor Rauramo was impressed by his warm personality, his kindness, and his original, charming humor. FIGIJ has much to thank him for and shall forever remain in his debt.

All who are associated with the North American Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Gynecology offer condolences to Professor Rauramo's wife and family. Although we have lost a dear colleague, we will keep his memory in high esteem.