

In Memory of Tatiyana Igorevna Kazak: On the 20th Anniversary of her Death

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Abstract

The article is dedicated to the life and creative path of the famous Ural scientist, phthisiopathologist, organizer, Doctor of Medical Sciences Tatiyana Igorevna Kazak.

Keywords: Tatiyana Igorevna Kazak, Famous Ural Scientist, Phthisiopathologist, organizer

October 11, 2025 marks the 20 years since the death of the famous Ural phthisiopathologist, scientist and organizer, Doctor of Medical Sciences Tatiyana Igorevna Kazak [1] (Figure 1, 2).

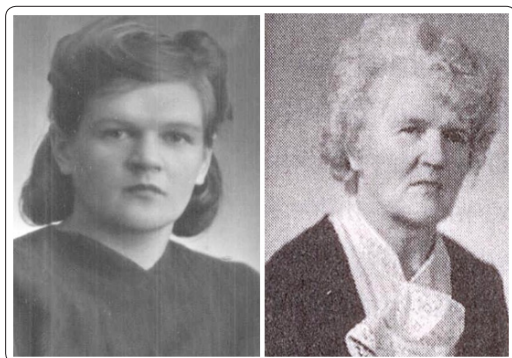


Figure 1, 2: Kazak Tatiyana Igorevna (12/06/1921–10/11/2005)

T.I. Kazak was born on December 6, 1921 in Yaransk, Kirov region, was married to Sergei Antonovich Kazak and had a daughter, Lyubov. Probably, due to a combination of certain circumstances, Tatiyana moved to Sverdlovsk (now Yekaterinburg) and since she had a cherished dream of becoming a doctor, and later a pathologist, she entered the Sverdlovsk State Medical Institute, successfully graduated in 1943 and in the same year on August 6 was called up to the active army, as a participant in the Great Patriotic War, where she served in the following units of the division: 274th separate Anti-aircraft Artillery Air Defense Division, the Western Front and camp 314 of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) of the Nizhne-Issetsky settlement. She completed her service on January 19, 1949 with the rank of Captain of the Medical Service [2, 3].

After demobilization from the army, Tatiyana Igorevna worked as the head of the medical and sanitary unit of the MIA, then as a pathologist at the City Clinical Hospital No.1 in Sverdlovsk. That's when she felt the need to engage in scientific research.

In 1958, T. I. Kazak defended her candidate's dissertation on the topic "Pathohistological changes in the lungs during a chronic suppurative

process with a predominant lesion to one of the lobes", and in 1969, her doctoral dissertation on the topic "Nonspecific complications of primary tuberculosis and chronic nonspecific lung diseases" and in the same year she was awarded the academic degree of Doctor of Medical Sciences.

T.I. Kazak's scientific interests were mainly studying the pathology of tuberculosis anatomy, nonspecific lung diseases and bronchopulmonary complications of primary tuberculosis. She was distinguished by such traits as hard work, great efficiency, high professionalism, intelligence, modesty, and love for her specialty.

From 1969 to 2005, T. I. Kazak held the positions of senior research fellow and head of the pathomorphological department at the Ural Research Institute of Phthisiopulmonology, on the basis of which a large number of works in this area were carried out.

Tatiyana Igorevna served as the Chief Pathologist of Sverdlovsk for a long time and was simultaneously a member of the Sverdlovsk Scientific Society of Pathologists, and on December 10, 2001, she was awarded the honorary title of Honored Healthcare Worker of the Russian Federation for her great contribution to the development of healthcare and many years of conscientious work. T.I. Kazak was awarded the medal "For the Victory over Germany in the Great Patriotic War of 1941–1945", and in 1985 she was awarded the Order of the Patriotic War II degree.

T.I. Kazak died on October 11, 2005 at the age of 84. She was buried at the Siberian Cemetery in Yekaterinburg [4] (Figure 3).



Figure 3: Tombstone monument to Tatiyana Igorevna Kazak in the family plot of the “Sibirskoye” cemetery in Yekaterinburg. The photo of the burial site was provided by Dmitry Nikishin (Yekaterinburg)

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