IN MEMORIAM EUGENIU A. GREBENICOV (1932-2013))

Professor Eugeniu A. Grebenicov was born on January 20, 1932, in the village of Slobozia Mare, Romania (now the Republic of Moldova), into the family of an orthodox priest and an elementary school teacher. After he graduated from the Romanian Lyceum at Cahul (R. Moldova) in 1949, he studied at the Faculty of Mechanics and Mathematics of Moscow state University (MSU) (till 1954). In 1957 Grebenicov presented his PhD thesis: Analytical Theory of the Motion of Saturns Eighth Moon Iapetus, and in 1967 his habilitation: Qualitative Studies of Differential Equations in Celestial Mechanics.

Starting 1957 he taught at the Faculty of Mechanics and Mathematics and at the Faculty of Physics of MSU. Later he headed the Department of Mathematical Analysis at the Peoples Friendship University of Russia, worked as a professor of the Department of Cybernetics at the Moscow State Institute of Electronics and Mathematics. He worked at the Department of Higher Mathematics at the Engineering University of the Republic of Moldova, and headed the Department of Mathematical Analysis at the University of Podlasie (Poland).

For his great achievements, Grebenicov won the State Prize of the USSR in 1971, the Prize of the USSR Council of Ministers in 1983, and the Krylov Prize of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences in 1999. Eugeniu Grebenicov was a full member of the Academy of Nonlinear Sciences, honorary member of the Academy of Sciences of Republic of Moldova, and honorary doctor of Babes-Bolyai University of Cluj-Napoca, Romania.

In 1991, The International Astronomical Committee, gave the name Grebenicov to a small planet in the solar system, having the number 4268. Eugeniu Grebenicov died in December 29, 2013, and was cremated and buried in Cahul, near his parents.

God rest his soul in peace.

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