

TO THE MEMORY OF YURI BURCHENKO (09.05.1945 – 22.02.2020)

I haven't been able to think of anybody whom I'd care to send out to look for horses in his stead. – J. D. Salinger, "Raise High the Roof Beam, Carpenters"

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It is of great sadness that Yuri Mikhailovich Burchenko passed away. It is hard to believe, because you cannot imagine someone who would be more life loving.

Yu. M. Burchenko spent all his long labor life in two academic institutions – Institute of Microbiology and Virology in Kyiv and Institute of Biology of the Southern Seas in Sevastopol, where he directed the departments of information, patents, and international relationships. Yuri Mikhailovich worked in IBSS for about 30 years. He met many foreign colleagues, was a member of international marine expeditions and meetings, and actively contributed to the integration of IBSS researches in the world science.

He tenderly loved Sevastopol. He could reproduce historical events in much detail and "mold" a perfectly accurate outline of developments, surprising even professional historians.

Yu. M. Burchenko amazed by originality of judgments and encyclopedic mindset, for which there were no limits. His unique mind kept everything that he carefully "put" there throughout his life. And it is really hurtful, that he did not leave it for us: he could not stand all kinds of paper records, and he did not really like electronic media too. Yuri Mikhailovich was an impeccable linguist, and, regardless of the language he had to write in, his work with every text, whether it was an article or a monograph, was kind of an art of understanding the very meaning of words.

It is sorry to say that Yu. M. Burchenko will no longer look with love at every corner of his hometown. He has left our time to enter into eternity, and the only consolation is that he could not get into the company of boring people.

ПАМЯТИ ЮРИЯ МИХАЙЛОВИЧА БУРЧЕНКО (09.05.1945 – 22.02.2020)

Ушёл из жизни Юрий Михайлович Бурченко. Более 30 лет он проработал в ИнБЮМ, где в разное время руководил отделами информации, патентоведения и международных связей. Ю. М. Бурченко был неординарным лингвистом.