Dr. Eduardo A. Zancolli
(1924-2024)

A few days before Dr. Eduardo Zancolli’s death, I was drafting a note to honor his upcoming birthday; it would be a memorable occasion: it would be his centenary.

It is unusual for traumatologists to reach the age of one hundred; as of yet, this is a normal human condition. So why write a note before such an unusual circumstance?

When we received the news of his death, and the note of appreciation prior to his centenary had not yet been published, our first thought was: “we were too late,” “it would have been better to publish it earlier.”

After the initial impression, and when comparing the content between the note prior to his death and the current one, I find coincidences:

- We acknowledge his dissemination of the semiology systematization of numerous nosological entities.
- He set a high standard for substantiating indications and techniques in Morphological Sciences.
- He was a disciplined surgeon and adhered to the Finochietto School.

We celebrate life, as well as the virtues that do not expire with a human being; rather, they encourage those who choose to follow in the master’s footsteps.

I pay tribute to Dr. Eduardo Zancolli, who continues to teach.

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