



IN MEMORIAM

VERA ERCEG
(1941 - 1992)

Mrs. VERA ERCEG, astronomer of the Belgrade Observatory, died on May 6, 1992, in the St. George Night, after a long, cruel, illness.

Death did not find her unprepared. On the contrary, her being aware of the approaching death did not prevent her from turning her last life's forces to completing her current researches for which she had, for years of devoted and painstaking labour, collected data and produced results. Love for astronomy, Vera's intimate captivation by it as the revelation of secrets of the Universe, lasts, it seems to us, even after she has gone. It lasts and continues in all of us who had known her better. Astronomy has been hers and ours life's lot.

Vera has been one of those personalities who, through their way of thinking and behaving, take their collocuters out of their habitual mode of viewing things, when apparently insignificant conversation acquires the freshness of peculiarity.

Her whole life could be narrated in a few sentences, but what remains as a lasting memory of her, as a dear colleague and researcher, is the distinction and strength of her person. This is equally true of her as an astronomer and simply as a human.

Let her rest in peace, among the stars!

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