

OBITUARY
for
Prof. Karl H. Potter.

Philosophical community is saddened by the demise of renowned philosopher, orientalist and Sanskrit Scholars professor Karl H. Potter who contributed immensely in translating and preparing original Sanskrit texts and works as Encyclopedia of Indian philosophies in 25 volumes. As a devoted continuous hard work and unmatched scholar ship in the area prof Potter was also awarded Padma Shri by Government of India. He passed away in Seattle, W.A. USA at the age of 94, at night of 11th January 2022.

Karl Harrington Potter, born on August 19, 1927, In the last hundred years, no other Indian or foreigner has worked harder for the sake of preserving the philosophical contents of classical Indian philosophies than Prof Potter who dedicated the last 42 years of his life to producing 25 massive volumes of translations and summaries of original Sanskrit texts of a dozen parallel traditions of Indian philosophy.

Educated in UC Berkeley, obtaining his PhD from Harvard University in Philosophy and Sanskrit, Karl Potter published his first book in 1957 which was a translation of the most original and radically rebellious *Nyāya Vaiśeṣika* text by Raghunātha Śīromaṇi, *Padārtha Tattva Nirūpaṇam*, where Space, Time, *Ākāśa* and *Īśvara* (God) are said to be one and the same. Professor Potter's most popular textbook of Indian philosophy was "*Presuppositions of Indian Philosophies*". He published a series of papers on the problem of *Karma*-theoretic determinism, and free will, which are classics in the field.

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