

A Message from his Daughter, Anita:

I am so proud of my father's many accomplishments and international distinctions. He really deserves this honor.

I have always been in awe of my father, so much so that I decided to follow in his footsteps and pursue my education in Chemical Engineering at McGill University. It was not easy, to say the least, having my father stand up in front of the class and teach me Fluid Mechanics!! Although I was already very familiar with his "lectures" at home, his lectures in the classroom were captivating. His ability to hold the attention of a classroom of young university students was remarkable. I'd constantly be whispering to my fellow classmates, "Pssst - That's my father!". I was so proud.

My father's constant guidance, support and encouragement and his devotion to his family has made me the person I am today. I cannot find the right words to express how thankful and blessed I am for having such an incredible father there to guide me through life.

From our father, my brother and I learned to be noble, humble and modest persons. Even with all his numerous accomplishments, awards and international distinctions, my father has always remained very modest, humble and simple. I admire this about my father the most. These are the qualities in him that makes him easy-going, personable and so down-to-earth. Anyone who has ever sat in his classroom, attended his seminars or worked with him, will understand what I mean.

We are so proud of you Dad. Thanks for all that you've given us, thanks for all your love and support, but most of all, thanks for being such a wonderful father to us. We love you!

A Message from his Son, Amit:

As this paper attests, I am very proud to see that my father has become a highly regarded and respected member of the Drying Community. Growing up in an academic environment, I became used to hearing people refer to my father as "Doctor" or "Professor". But when I once heard someone refer to him simply as the "Drying Guru", I knew he had reached the pinnacle of his chosen field.

We at the Mujumdar household would joke that he had two families – one where he taught, the other where he lectured. My sister and I were never quite sure which family we belonged to! While I did not follow in my father's career footsteps, he nevertheless left me with very large shoes to fill. Many readers who have met and worked with my father on a professional level know him to be intelligent, collegial and passionate about his field. I believe it were these same skills sets that allowed him to develop the International Drying Symposium and receive numerous distinctions and awards the world

over. As if these attributes and accolades were not enough, he is also worldly, kind, compassionate, giving, artistic and humorous (or at least he thinks so!). I must leap in order to reach his step.

My sister and I are very proud of the accomplishments Dr. Arun S. Mujumdar has achieved in his 30-plus years in the profession, as both Professor and Consultant. But we are most proud of him as a Father. It was his love, support and guidance that has given us the skill sets needed to succeed not only in our own professions, but in life. Thanks Dad.