



Amnon Pazy, who was executive editor of the Israel Journal of Mathematics from 1972–1977, and later an associate editor and member and chair of the general editorial board of this journal, passed away on August 17th, 2006. He is survived by Batia, his wife of forty-nine years, three children, and several grandchildren.

Pazy started his studies at the Hebrew University in 1953, receiving his M.Sc. degree in 1957. After several years of army service and other duties, he started his Ph.D. studies at the Einstein Institute of Mathematics of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in 1963, under the supervision of Professor Shmuel Agmon. He obtained his Ph.D. in 1966, then spent three years at Stanford University and NYU, returning to the Einstein Institute at the end of 1969.

Amnon was chairperson of the Einstein Institute during the period 1978–1980. In 1983 he was appointed vice-rector of the university, then elected as Rector and President (1986–1990). During the years 1991–1997 he served as chairperson of VATAT - the subcommittee of the Higher Education Council of Israel which is in charge of allocating resources among the various academic institutions in Israel. In 1997 he returned to full-time service at the Einstein Institute, retiring in 2004.

All his life Amnon was very active in various academic and other activities, participating and chairing numerous university, government, and other committees, and offering official and unofficial help and advice. He is, and will continue to be, sorely missed by his many friends and colleagues.