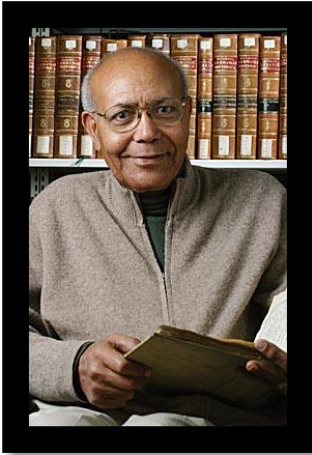


TRIBUTE TO PROFESSOR GETACHEW HAILE



Sorrow feels our hearts by the passing away of Professor Getachew Haile, a 1996 honoree of The Society of Ethiopians Established in the Diaspora, SEED.

It is indeed difficult to find words to express our regret at the death of this icon, Ethiopia's treasure and the depository of Ethiopia's, culture, and religious history.

Ethiopians will not forget the rich and positive contributions he has made in the lives of so many diaspora Ethiopians, African Americans, and others. Through his vision, prolific writings, and ability to touch us deeply, he has enriched us intellectually and appealed to our consciences to stand for and preserve human rights, human dignity, equality, democracy, and freedom.

Dr. Getachew was recognized by SEED for his demonstrated patriotism, relentless courage, unselfish devotion to preserving the true Ethiopian history and culture. Until his last breath, he was committed to fighting for human rights and for his demonstrated love of country. He was in every way worthy of being remembered in the Ethiopian history as someone who dedicated his life to passing on the true history of Ethiopia to posterity.

The SEED Board extends its deepest sympathy to his family.

May God bless his soul and give his bereaved family and all those how mourn his passing.

May he rest in peace.

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