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Tadeusz Krauze (1934–2019)

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Tadeusz Krauze was born in Warsaw to Alfons and Kazimiera Krauze – a typical couple of the pre-war stratum of "intelligentsia." After World War II, the Krauze family settled in Łódź – the city closest to completely ruined Warsaw. Tadeusz attended a renowned high-school there, and then continued education studying mathematics at the University of Łódź. Having graduated with an M.A. degree, he moved to Warsaw, where he worked at the Institute of Mathematical Machines (i.e. computers) for a few years.

In 1958, on the invitation of Professor Clyde Hamilton Coombs from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, Tad Krauze took the opportunity to go there and specialize in mathematical psychology. Next, he studied at the University of Columbia in New York and the New York University where in 1973 he received a Ph.D. degree in sociology. He held a position of a professor of sociology at Hofstra University in Hempstead, New York, for more than forty years. He also used to visit his homeland, Poland, where he was actively involved in the scientific life. As

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a participant to the Fulbright Program, he acted as a visiting professor at the University of Maria Skłodowska-Curie in Lublin, Poland (1981–1983).

In the US, Krauze's first interest in sociology covered the field of sociology of science, which he studied with specialists from Cornell University. Later, he focused on social stratification, always interested in mathematical modeling of social phenomena. His early publications in *Science Studies* and *Scientometrics* built his good reputation among specialists dealing with the science of science. He also published in leading sociology journals, including *American Sociological Review* and *Social Forces*. He co-edited two volumes on social inequality in Poland which were republished last year by Routledge.

For many years, Tad Krauze was the editor-in-chief of the *International Journal of Sociology*. When he finally left this position, he was honored with the title of Editor Emeritus by the editorial board. He shared his editorial experience with others offering his contribution to the editorial boards of *Zagadnienia Naukoznawstwa* (*Problems of the Science of Science*) and *Ask: Research and Methods*.

While visiting Poland, he always focused on mathematics. He was a long-time member of the School of Educational Mathematics (Szkoła Matematyki Poglądowej) co-organized by the University of Warsaw. He was a member of the Polish Mathematical Society and the Polish Sociological Association.

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