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## Persian scholar Amir-Banoo Karimi, dies at 92

## **Arts & Culture Desk**

Amir-Banoo Karimi, a prominent female professor, died on December 31, 2023, at the age of 92, due to lung complications and heart failure.

Born on December 31, 1931, in Tehran, Amir-Banoo Karimi was the eldest child of Iranian poet Seyyed Karim Amiri Firuzkuhi, IRNA reported.

She was known for her expertise in classical Persian literature, particularly the works of Iranian poet Saib Tabrizi, Persian poet

and a master of rhymed couplets, known as 'ghazal'. She was the spouse of Mazaher Mosaffa, an Iranian poet (1932–2019), and the mother of Ali Mosaffa, a distinguished Iranian actor and filmmaker. Banoo Karimi was registered in the Iranian Science and Culture Hall of Fame in 2004 in an annual ceremony to honor scientific and cultural

dignitaries.

In 2016, she was honored for her lifelong contribution to Persian studies, language and literature. Her works include critical editions of Jawami ul-Hikayat, a collection of Persian anecdotes written by Persian historian,

scientist and author Zahiriddin Nasr Mohammad Aufi (1171-1242); compilation and annotations of two editions of her father's poems; Ghazals of Saib Tabrizi; revised edition of Divan of 17th century Iranian theologian, poet and philosopher Hakim Abdolrazaq Lahiji; and critical

analysis of Sanai's 'The Walled Garden of Truth'. Her prominent literary essays are 'The Missing Sources of Jawami ul-Hikayat,' 'The Double-Sided Coin: Mansur al-Hallaj, 'The Representation of Women in Persian

Poetry and Saba's Illness. Condolences have poured in from various cultural and academic figures, including Gholam-Ali Haddad-Adel, the president of the Academy of Persian Language and Literature, and the Iranian Youth Cinema Society. The female professor will be laid to rest at the Artists' Section in Behesht-e Zahra Cemetery on January 3, 2v024.

