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## **To the Anniversary of Popova Galina Ivanovna**

Popova Galina Ivanovna was born in 1937 in the Bodaibo district of the Irkutsk region in the village of Mama. During the Great Patriotic War, the family moved first to Yakutsk, and then to the Aldan region to the Ogonyok mine, then back to Yakutsk. Galina Ivanovna, after graduating from school, joined the Yakut State University and became a part of the first set of graduates in 1961. After that, she worked at school and as a proofreader in the Socialist Yakutia newspaper.

Since 1964, the life of G. I. Popova has been closely connected with the university: a librarian, head of the archive, methodologist of the educational department. Since 1971, she began teaching: she worked as an assistant at the Department of Russian Language and General Linguistics, was a senior lecturer at the Department of General Linguistics and Ethnolinguistics.

The scientific interests of G. I. Popova since her undergraduate years were connected with the problems of Russian dialectology. She repeatedly set out with N. G. Samsonov and M. F. Druzhinina on dialectological expeditions in Yakutia and the Irkutsk region. She collected a lot of material for her dissertation "Phenomena of paradigmatics in the northern dialects of the Irkutsk region", spoke at scientific conferences, published articles. Worked on her dissertation under the guidance of G. A. Rakov, professor of Tomsk State University. The scientific school of G. A. Rakov, which has strong traditions in the study of the Siberian dialects of the Russian language, has given a lot in her growth as a researcher.

In the course of years of teaching and research work, 5 teaching aid handbooks for students were prepared and published. Galina Ivanovna gave lectures and conducted practical classes in dialectology, modern Russian, led the "Dialect Vocabulary" circle. The special course "Systematic study of dialect vocabulary" has always been in demand among the student audience and was a logical component of the group of special disciplines of the department. As part of the activities of the special course and the scientific circle, students took an active part in research work, contributed reports at conferences.

The "Vocabulary of hunting (to system relations)" handbook, published in 1986, has not lost its relevance to this day: interest in studying the dialect language has recently increased. The linguistic constructs and models identified by G. I. Popova on the material of the Irkutsk dialects serve as a vivid demonstration of the analytical work of a thoughtful researcher of the folk language, and continue to help scientific supervisors in teaching new generations of students.

The position on the systematicity of dialect vocabulary is relevant even today, and in the 21st century, the unique material of the old-timer Russian dialects of the North-East of Russia remains under the scrutiny of modern researchers. Lecturers and students of the Department of General Linguistics and Rhetoric of the Faculty of Philology continue both the collection of dialect material (a scientific dialectological expedition in 2018 to the Allaikhovsky Ulus of the RS Ya) and the implementation of research projects (grants from the RHSF and the RFBR in 2017 and 2018, articles in peer-reviewed publications in the Scopus and Web of Science databases, bachelor's theses and master's theses).

Under the guidance of Galina Ivanovna, quite a lot of diploma works were written. And every student who came through the school of Galina Ivanovna could adequately defend their thesis and subsequently always remembered their supervisor with gratitude.

Separately, it is necessary to emphasize the fact of the work of G. I. Popova at the preparatory faculty. This division of the university was then called Rabfak. People came there from production, either working or having worked for a while in industry and agriculture wishing to eliminate their gaps in knowledge, burning with the desire to enter

a university. This is a special contingent of students, it was both difficult and interesting to work with them. Galina Ivanovna spent many years working with the workers' prep faculty, taught Russian language to many students of various faculties and departments of the university. She herself always proudly talks about her proteges, recalls various interesting stories associated with them. She was the curator of student groups, and, knowing all of the students' troubles, Galina Ivanovna often took groups from the workers' prep faculty and brought them up to the 5th year. The students of Galina Ivanovna, who are grateful to the teacher for mastering the skills of oral and written Russian speech, after many years carry their memories, find their mentor and then continue their now friendly relations: an example is the friendship of Galina Ivanovna with Marianna Matveevna Ivanova, now a surgeon of the highest category, who began her studies at the university from the preparatory faculty in the distant 1970s.

Galina Ivanovna led the women's council of the philological faculty for many years, was engaged in the union sphere in the difficult 1990s, she devoted a lot of her time to this community work.

Since 1994, Galina Ivanovna has been on a well-deserved rest, lives in St. Petersburg, but does not lose contact with either her faculty colleagues or her students. The hospitable hostess, Galina Ivanovna, always welcomes Yakut guests with interest, asks with interest about all the departmental and faculty innovations and recalls with gratitude the years of work at the Yakut State University.

The staff of the Department of General Linguistics and Rhetoric and the entire Faculty of Philology heartily congratulate dear Galina Ivanovna on her glorious jubilee! We wish you good health, well spirits and active longevity.