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The Edward Ullendorff Medal of the British Academy 'for scholarly distinction and achievements in the field of Semitic Languages and Ethiopian Studies', established thanks to the generous support of Edward Ullendorff's widow, Dina, was awarded in 2021 to Professor Olga Kapeliuk (Professor emeritus of Linguistics and African Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem) for her significant contributions to the field of Ethiopian Semitic languages over the course of her career (https://www.thebritishacademy.ac.uk/prizes-medals/edward-ullendorff-medal/).

In memoriam Getatchew Haile (1931–2021)

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Obituaries and statements concerning the passing away of the great scholar Getatchew Haile (b.19 April 1931 Yärä Kärräyu, Šänkora, Ethiopia, d.10 June 2021 New York) have been published on media by his family and the Hill Museum and Manuscript Library (HMML) at Collegeville, Minnesota, the institution where he had worked since 1976.¹ He was regents professor of Medieval Studies at Saint John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, and curator of the Ethiopia Study Center at HMML, corresponding member of the British Academy, MacArthur fellow, recipient of the Edward Ullendorff Medal, and definitely one of the most brilliant and knowledgeable scholars in Ethiopian studies ever.

The task of this short note is not that of repeating what can be more precisely and appropriately reported by closer sources, but to express the modest tribute of

¹ https://hmml.org/stories/getatchew-haile/.

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