Born in India, the late Dr. Sarjit Singh earned his medical degree from King Edward Medical College, Indore, India. Sarjit, who specialized in cardiology and internal medicine, was affiliated with the McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint, Michigan, where he served as chairman of the cardiology department and the critical care committee and director of the electrocardiography department.

Throughout his 40-year medical career, Sarjit was a member of various professional organizations such as the American Medical Association, the Council of Clinical Cardiology, the Michigan State Medical Society, and the American Society of Internal Medicine. He also served as a member of the United Nation’s World Health Organization and was honored by the Michigan International Council for his contributions to world understanding, development, and peace. An active thoroughbred horseman, he also enjoyed boating, particularly on the Great Lakes and in the Caribbean.

His wife, Iona Rumble Singh, graduated from A.B. Hepburn School of Nursing in 1947. Their son, Raja (’91), earned a bachelor’s degree in business administration and completed a concentration in peace studies at Notre Dame. He also holds an MBA from Harvard University.

Iona and Raja established this endowment in memory of Sarjit. It provides for subscriptions to important foreign newspapers; current events journals; statistical compendia; government documents, such as parliamentary debates; and documents of various international organizations, especially those active in areas such as human rights and refugee issues. It has also assisted in providing access to a number of electronic databases of particular value to researchers in various areas of international studies.