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From George Andrews:

Mizan Rahman was a delightful man and a wonderful mathematician. His knowledge of q-hypergeometric series often amazed me. As everyone familiar with this area knows, the statements and proofs of theorems can often become baroque if not rococo. Mizan had the skill and insight to make intricate arguments clear and beautiful. He was a warm human being and a good friend. On my 65th birthday, he wrote to me ending his message with this: "This is an honorable age,especially in oriental cultures, but it may be debatable whether it is truly an honor to reach that age. On the other hand, from my vantage point, you are far away from the hard rock that is otherwise called 70!. Just think of me and you will feel good." Now he is gone, and we are all saddened by his passing, but it is impossible not to feel good when thinking of this grand man who led a productive and valuable life.

George Andrews
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