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Amnon Jakimovski was born on June 11th 1925 in Moshav Kfar Uria, and died in Tel Aviv on March 26th, 2022. Amnon's family moved to Tel Aviv when he was four years old, and he continued to live there all his life except for the years he spent studying at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Already while in high school Amnon joined the Hagana, and later served in the IDF during the War of Independence (1948-1949). He studied mathematics, physics and chemistry at the Hebrew University, but his studies were interrupted by the war, and he finally obtained his Ph.D. under the supervision of Michael Fekete in 1952. Amnon was one of the founders of the Department of Mathematics of Tel Aviv University. In fact, the

department together with a few other departments existed before Tel Aviv University existed, and the aggregate of departments created the university. He also gave courses at a few universities in Israel, in particular, he taught at the Hebrew University and at the Technion. Amnon served as Head of the Department in 1970-1972, and later when the School of Mathematical Sciences was formed, he served as Head of the School in 1985-87. Among Amnon's many achievements as Head of School, he was very proud of initiating the gifted children program in the School, and the appointment of Dr. Beno Arbel, to run it. This program was named later after Beno Arbel's untimely death. Amnon served as Dean of Students in 1969-1970, and as Chair of the Labor Committee of the Senior faculty in 1981-1982.

Jakimovski's main research was in Summability, but he also worked in Approximation Theory and Complex Analysis. Among his Ph.D. students, Zeev Ditzian, Dany Leviatan, Amram Meir, Amos Ron and Jean Sidon (Tzimbalario).