Born in Pollachi in 1946, passed PUC in 1964 with First class in NGM Collage, Dr. PONRAJ SHANMUGANATHAN scaled the highest peak in the field of Neuro surgery in Tamilnadu, recognized throughout India, as one of the authorities in Neurosurgery. He passed his MBBS in 1972 & M.S. General Surgery in 1983 and also passed M.Ch. in the year 1986, the highest qualification of Neurosurgery in India. He was also decorated by the International University of Colombo, Ph. D in 1996 & D. Sc. in 1998. His service in Tamil Nadu Government started at top slip as an Assistant surgeon in 1973, worked at various places at different designations in Tamil Nadu until his retirement as a Senior Professor in Neurosurgery in 2016. One of the best Neurosurgeons, most sought after teacher by students in the field of Neurosurgery, Dr. Ponraj after his retirement worked as a Professor and served as a Consultant in different teaching Institutions and major Hospitals in South India and also worked in Saudi Arabia and Mauritius. He has performed thousands of complicated micro surgeries in brain for his patients and trained thousands of young doctors in the past 32 years.