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BARUYR SEVAK

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"We are few, but we are called Armenians"

Baruyr Sevak, one of the best poets of Armenian Literature, was born on January 24, 1924 at the village of Chanaghchi, Armenia.

Sevak's love for education helped him to get accepted into secondary school at age 6 (while legal age established by government for kids to attend a secondary school was 7). He graduated 10th grade with honors.

Sevak loved reading, so he managed to read almost all of the books he came across in the village's libraries.

As a result, he developed the urge to become a writer.

In 1945, Baruyr Sevak graduated from the university

and entered into graduate studies at the M. Abeghyan Institute of Language and Literature, where he pursued a degree in ancient Armenian literature.

After graduating with a doctorate degree in ancient Armenian literature, the working career of Baruyr Sevak began.

In 1951, he went to Moscow and continued his studies at the M. Gorky's Institute of Literature and Poetry; he graduated in 1956 with highest honors.

Baruyr Sevak has written many poems, novels and stories.

The new touch brought into light of Armenian literature by Baruyr Sevak reflected the changing culture in the face of newly emerging and re-emerging concepts, ideas, spiritual values and social norms, undergoing within the Armenian people during that time period.

On June 17, 1971 the tragic and traitorous car accident killed the famous poet and his wife.

Sevak stayed loyal to his principles of truth, integrity, dignity, loyalty and humanism, never ending his admiration of his native culture and difficult history of his fellow people.

For more information about B. Sevak, visit his official web side:
<http://www.paruyrsevak.com>

