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# Activist-journalist Patil Puttappa dead

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BENGALURU, DHNS

Writer, journalist and Kan-  
nada activist Patil Puttappa  
(PaPu), passed away  
at Hubballi on Mon-  
day night. He was 99.

He is survived by  
son Ashok and two  
daughters Manjula  
and Shailaja. He had  
been admitted to  
Karnataka Institute  
of Medical Science  
for old age complications.

He was born on January 14,  
1921 at Kurabagond village  
in Dharwad district. While  
studying at Karnatak Col-  
lege, Dharwad, in 1942, he  
was rusticated for participat-



Patil Puttappa

ing in freedom movement. He  
obtained a degree in Law in  
1954 in Belagavi and Master's  
degree in Journalism from

California State Uni-  
versity, USA, in 1949.

He was in the  
forefront of the Kar-  
nataka unification  
agitation. He was the  
president of Karnat-  
aka Vidyavardhaka  
Sangha for a record  
period of 50 years  
since its inception.

He was a member of Ra-  
jyasabha between 1962 and  
1974. He was in the forefront  
of Gokak movement in 1982  
too. Due to his efforts, the  
government medical college

in Hubballi was named as Kar-  
natak Medical College. He was  
President of the 70th Kannada  
Sahitya Sammelana, Belagavi,  
in 2003.

He launched 'Prapancha', a  
weekly, on March 10, 1954 and  
'Sangama', Kannada's first di-  
gest, two years later. He also  
launched 'Vishwavani', a daily  
newspaper, in 1959.

He was the recipient of  
the Rajyotsava, TSR, Ba-  
savashree, Nrupatunga, Na-  
doja and other awards. Karnat-  
aka University had conferred  
an honorary DLitt degree on  
him. He was the author of over  
50 books. CM B S Yediyurap-  
pa has expressed condolence  
over his death.