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**IN MEMORIAM  
JOHN T. PATTERSON**

John T. Patterson, professor emeritus of zoology, died on December 4, 1960. He was 82.

Professor Patterson was born on November 3, 1878, in Pegria, Ohio. He received a bachelor's degree from the College of Wooster in 1903. He was awarded a PhD from the University of Chicago in 1908.

Dr. Patterson joined the faculty of The University of Texas at Austin in 1908. He became internationally known as an eminent researcher, publishing more than 70 scientific treatises during his long career. In 1937 he was named distinguished professor. His work in fruit fly genetics earned him the Elliot Science Medal in 1947.

Professor Patterson served as president of both the Genetic Society of America and the American Society of Zoologists. In 1959 he was honored with *Biological Contributions: A Collection of Essays and Research Articles*, dedicated to John Thomas Patterson on the occasion of his eightieth birthday. Twenty-two colleagues and former students contributed to the book. In 1965 the J. T. Patterson Building was named in his honor by the UT System Board of Regents.

John R. Durbin, Secretary  
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