

Dr-Ikram-Sheikh: Lost in Beautiful and Indelible Memories of the Past

I, Dr. Ikram Sheikh, last night, while looking at Amjad Siddiqi's world-renowned creative book *Unyielding Spirit*, became completely lost in the beautiful and unforgettable memories of the past.

Amjad Siddiqi (One in a million)

My very first meeting with Amjad Siddiqi took place on February 27, 1989, in Riyadh, after offering the Zuhr (midday) prayer. Following a brief formal introduction, we shared some light conversation, and then, after the daily prayers, our meetings began to grow. Over time, a deep bond was formed—which remains intact to this very day. Allah has blessed Amjad bhai with countless virtues. He is an exceptionally courageous, high-spirited person who is ever-ready to serve others. He is a God-fearing human being who never accepted defeat in life. Outwardly, he is on a wheelchair, but he possesses such exceptionally strong nerves that his feet never faltered even in the face of the greatest difficulties. Many bitter, painful, and agonizing phases came into Amjad Siddiqi's life, all of which he confronted with immense courage, bravery, and chivalry. Leaving his job at the Arab National Bank, he initiated his own business. In no time, he established himself as a highly successful businessman within corporate circles. The wheelchair never became an obstacle in achieving any of his milestones. I also had the privilege of entering into a business partnership with Amjad bhai for the trade of ihram belts, and Alhamdulillah (Praise be to Allah), that experience proved to be highly successful. Even today, my friendly and family relations with Amjad Siddiqi remain completely active, and I feel immense pride in calling him my friend. I pray to Allah that He keeps Amjad Siddiqi safe and healthy for a long time along with his children, Talha and Riyan, and may no sorrow ever touch them. May he make his children the coolness of his eyes. Ameen.