

# Vytautas Mažiulis

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**Vytautas Mažiulis** (born August 20, 1926 in Rokėnai, Lithuania, died April 11, 2009, in Vilnius, Lithuania) was a highly distinguished Lithuanian Balticist, an expert on the Old Prussian language and Indo-European languages.<sup>[1]</sup>

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## Biography

He studied classical philology at the Vilnius University in 1947–1952, receiving his Ph.D. in 1956 at the Lomonosov Moscow State University with his thesis on Lithuanian numerals. In 1955 he started working at the Vilnius University, holding a Chair of Lithuanian Language in 1968–1973.

With Jonas Kazlauskas he founded the international journal for Baltic philology *Baltistica* in 1965 and the Chair for Baltic philology in 1973 after the murder of professor Kazlauskas.

In 1970 he became the member of the Lithuanian Academy of Sciences, after publishing his monograph on the relationship between Baltic and other Indo-European languages.

Vytautas Mažiulis was also correspondent member of both the Mainz Academy of Sciences and Literature (Germany) and the Milanese Linguistics Society (Italy), as well as Chairman of an International Commission on Baltic-Slavonic Relations.

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