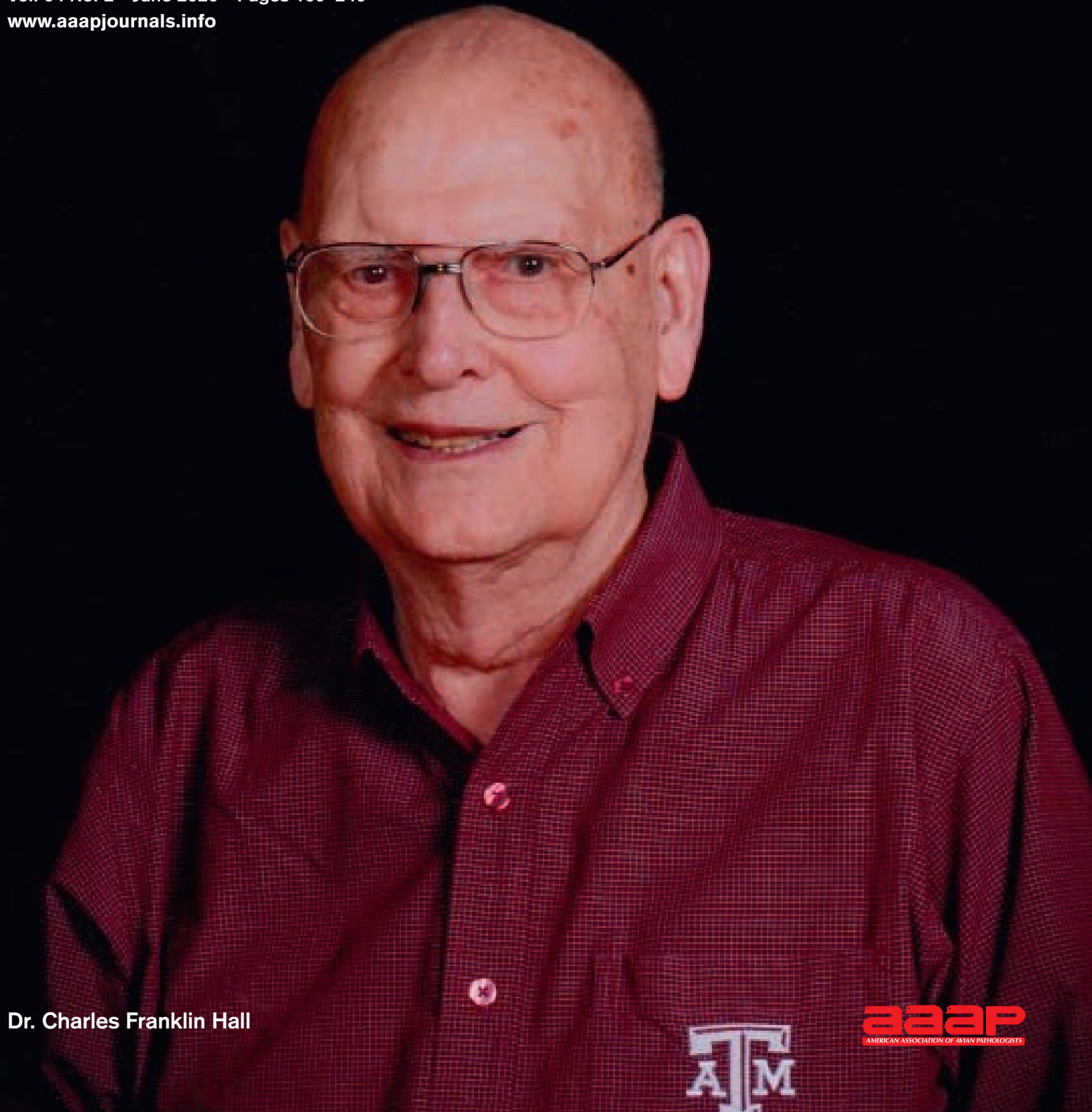


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*About the cover*

**DR. CHARLES FRANKLIN HALL (1922–2015)**

Charles was born on November 24, 1922 in Shanghai, China, the fourth son of Lawrence Hall, a YMCA missionary, and his wife, Margaret. He lived in China until 1927 at which time the family returned to the United States. In 1941, Charles enrolled at Kansas State University with aspirations to graduate in animal husbandry and raise purebred Hereford cattle after graduation. However, World War II interrupted his education and Charles enlisted in the Army Air Corps. He spent three years serving as a flight engineer on C-54 cargo planes in North Africa, the Middle East and India. After the war he matriculated in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. He received his BS degree in animal husbandry in 1949 and his DVM degree in 1951. He joined the Department of Veterinary Science at the University of Arkansas in 1953 to work on poultry diseases, which was the start of a life-long career in poultry medicine. Charles moved to Michigan State University in 1957 where he received his MS degree in Veterinary Pathology in 1959. In the same year he took a position in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University in College Station where he remained until his retirement as Professor Emeritus in 1984. In his AAAP autobiography he mentioned that his hours in the classroom and with students were the happiest times in his professional life. This is clearly reflected in the awards for excellence in teaching he received from the Universities in Arkansas, Michigan and Texas. Charles was admitted as a member of the AAAP during the first year of the AAAP. He served as President of the AAAP in 1967 -1968 and Secretary-Treasurer from 1970 to 1982. Charles received the Special Service Award of the AAAP in 1985 and was inducted in 2016 in the founding class of the AAAP Hall of Honor. *Avian Diseases* wants to acknowledge his daughter Eleanor and her husband Wesley Towles for providing some of the information.