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In Memoriam Lothar Schmid

Lothar Schmid in Braunschweig, November 2011

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* 10/05/1928 Dresden-Radebeul

† 18/05/2013 Bamberg

Our famous member Lothar Schmid, Karl May publisher from Bamberg, chess grandmaster and arbiter of the century, who owned the biggest and most eminent private chess book collection worldwide, is no longer with us. Last Saturday he died of age-related illness, only a short time after his 85th birthday.

Here is the [ChessBase In Memoriam](#), including an article by Elmer Dumlao Sangalang on the occasion of Lothar Schmid's 80th birthday, as well as the recent [laudatio](#) by Dagobert Kohlmeyer (in German). A more detailed obituary will follow soon.

PS: Michael Negele has provided an [obituary](#) of our late member **Lothar Schmid** as well as a series of photos from his archive, and Tony Gillam has contributed some memories of the friendship of Lothar Schmid and Ken Whyld.