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**In memory of Leonid L. Balyberdin.**

The article is devoted to life and creative career of senior NIIPT researcher, PhD in engineering, laureate of the USSR State prize Leonid L. Balyberdin (1932–2014). L. Balyberdin was known as the great scientist and expert in the field of converting equipment, HVDC power transmissions and back-to-backs.

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