

# LITTLE BIOGRAPHY

I was born May 2, 1946, I began studying Shotokan Karate-do in July 1973 and a year later Kendo at the Dojo Budo COLLEGE BELGIAN **established** in 1951 by Sensei Julien NAESENS who died in May 1986 (see his biography on google). I had as a teacher of Karate Sensei Ait Ikhlef a direct student of Sensei Harada.

I'm currently 7th Dan in Karate (April 2004) and 5th Dan in Kendo / Iaido (August 1989). I **am** part of the history of Kendo in Belgium with my participation in the 1<sup>st</sup> Belgian championship in 1977 (team silver medal) I'm even a legend. At that time it was still necessary for Japanese judges to grade, I was awarded 1st Dan in Kendo in August 1979 in Sapporo in Japan during a world championship and my 2nd Dan in Berlin during the European championship, which is why I'm considered a sword master in England I gave regularly Easter courses (the last in 2014). I **belong**, in fact, to a federation based in England, first in Tokushima, then to the International Budo Council in November 1993. In September 1987, I founded my own Dojo called KAGE SHIHAN RYU.

Parenthesis: School Master shade. The masters of the shadows in the feudal era of Japan were the saber teachers clan lords, hidden because of the perpetual challenges. And at that time as a Dojo Master **appointed** a successor (Soke) continuer of his method, at the same time it also appointed a privy councilor. If this is not the case there is **then** the only democratic moment of a DOJO and / or federation. Indeed, the successor must be elected by all the black belts to be legitimized, and it inherits the grades / titles.

I had to close my Dojo, as a traditional Dojo is extremely expensive. After I taught for a year in an unsuccessful school, I then joined the Dojo Mushotoku Mr DENIS, and then I joined the Belgian College Budo under the direction of Soke Pierre CITTI Kyoshi 7th Dan Aikido. KSR had one hour a week until my retirement at the age of 60 years. I had the opportunity to be mentored by two excellent students HERMAND Mrs André and Paul DENIS (5th Dan retired now) with whom we have made great **progress** in the study of karate techniques. Mr HERMAND can feel the Hara of a person even through a door, Sensei DENIS can see the red energy of an attack, as for me, I had the chance (rare are the experts who can say that) having twice in Kendo and Karate once the "right move" that gives the feeling, I said you, bliss all phenomena called in Japanese "Genkurabé". I am currently in treatment for a long and painful illness. Also, I would like here to thank Maître J. NAESENS the way for his education (Michi) via the DO / TAO, as well as meeting the Masters, my teachers, Doreen Smith who welcomed me nicely within the IBC as a life member, and my uke Soto Deshi the Sempai Eric SEGHERS 3rd Dan Renshi and especially all my former students, and finally my wife Gilda Azevedo SOUZA for their **support** without which I could not have progressed in Life.

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