## A Reference Grammar of Classical Tamil Poetry

(150 B.C.—pre-fifth/sixth century A.D.)

The preparation of this volume was made possible in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, an independent Federal Agency.

## A Reference Grammar

of

## **Classical Tamil Poetry**

(150 B.C.—pre-fifth/sixth century A.D.)

V. S. RAJAM

American Philosophical Society
Independence Square • Philadelphia



## MEMOIRS OF THE AMERICAN PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY

Held at Philadelphia

For Promoting Useful Knowledge

Volume 199

Copyright © 1992 by The American Philosophical Society

Library of Congress Catalog Card Number 91-76989 International Standard Book Number 0-87169-199-X US ISSN 0065-9738



the waters of the Porunai
which nurtured my dear parents
and
the land of the Vaiyai
where my revered teachers revealed to me
the beauty of Tamil

