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People from all walks of life line the streets to pay their last respects as the hearse carrying the remains of Sultan Abdul Halim passes.

Sultan Abdul Halim laid to rest

> Funeral procession accompanied by thousands, including scores of dignitaries

ALOR STAR: The late Sultan of Kedah, Sultan Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah, was laid to rest at the Langgar Royal Mausoleum

yesterday at 5pm.

The royal cortege earlier left Istana Anak Bukit accompanied by an 89-gun salute, signifying the age of the Sultan.

His remains were placed on a carriage and drawn slowly through Jalan Anak Bukit, Jalan Tun Razak and Jalan Langgar, accompanied by members of the royal

family and the public.

After the burial, the "talkin" was recited by Kedah Mufti Datuk Syeikh Fadzil Awang to conclude the funeral.

Thousands of people and scores of dignitaries turned up to pay their last respects to the beloved ruler, who was described as one who had the interest of the

people at heart.

Many said his passing was a great loss to the country as Sultan Abdul Halim was close to the people.

He was born on Nov 28, 1927, and acceded to the Kedah throne on July 15, 1958, after his father Sultan Badlishah Sultan Abdul Hamid passed away.



The consort of the late Sultan, Sultanah Haminah Hamidun, sprinkling scented water on his grave at the Langgar Royal Mausoleum in Alor Star yesterday.



The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V at Sultan Abdul Halim's funeral to pay his last respects.

Tribute from Johor Sultanah

PETALING JAYA: The Johor Permaisuri has honoured the late Kedah Sultan Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah with a poem on her Facebook page.

Raja Zarith Sofiah Sultan Idris Shah posted the moving poem, which has been shared by the Johor Ruler Sultan Ibrahim Ibni Almarhum Sultan Iskandar on his official Facebook page.

Her poem tribute has been viewed and liked by over 2,000 people and shared by 142 people as of yesterday evening.

Raja Zarith Sofiah's son Tunku Temenggong Johor Tunku Idris Ibni Sultan Ibrahim also paid tribute to the late Kedah Sultan on his Instagram.

He posted a black-and-white photo of Sultan Abdul Halim and offered his condolences to the Kedah royal family, stating that Malaysia had truly lost a great Sultan.

"You have been such a great role model to me, showing me that no matter how unwell or tired you feel on that day, duty comes first.

"My heart goes out to all rakyat Kedah," he said.

*A heaviness lies
in my heart,
A King has left
this mortal world.
From his family,
his people, he is apart.
Rest in peace, dear King.
You have given your all.
We shall honour your name.
We shall never let it fall.*



Tunku Sallehuddin places his hands on his brother's casket at the Langgar Royal Mausoleum yesterday.



Great loss to the nation

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New Sultan of Kedah holds multiple key positions

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> BN, Opposition leaders pay last respects to ruler 'who had people at heart'

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ALOR STAR: Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Ahmad Zahid Hamidi said Malaysia has lost a great ruler with the passing of Kedah's Sultan Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah.

He said the late Sultan was a ruler who had the interest of the people at heart.

"I got to know Almarhum when I was defence minister. We were holding Lima (Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace exhibition), and Tuanku told me to provide lift facilities at the exhibition hall as Tuanku could not climb the stairs.

"Almarhum also urged members of the Kedah royalty and state government leaders to visit Lima," he said after paying

his last respects to Sultan Abdul Halim.

Also present was former premier Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who described the Sultan as a "good friend".

The fifth prime minister, who is from Kedah, said he was saddened by the Sultan's passing.

"This is a loss for the country as he was a Sultan and an Agong who was close to the people," he said.

Penang Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng said the Penang flag will be flown at half-mast for two days, beginning yesterday.

He described the passing of the Sultan as a great loss to the country.

Also paying their last respects were PKR president Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ibrahim and former Selangor menteri besar Tan Sri Khalid Ibrahim.

Meanwhile, Singapore leaders have written to the Sultanah of Kedah, Tuanku Haminah, to convey their condolences.

Singapore Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong, in the letter, said His Royal Highness was well-loved and respected by the people of Malaysia.

2nd Battalion Royal Malay Regiment in Pengkalan Chepa, Kota Baru.

During his service with the military, he was engaged in various operations along the common border with Thailand in the states of Kelantan, Kedah and Perak.

Tunku Sallehuddin also holds several key positions, among them chancellor of the Cyberjaya University College of Medical Sciences and president of the Kedah Islamic Religious Council.

He married Tengku Maliha Tengku Ariff and they have two sons.

Tunku Sallehuddin succeeded Tunku Abdul Malik Almarhum Sultan Badlishah as the Raja Muda of Kedah following the latter's demise at the age of 86 on Nov 29, 2015.

He was also the chairman of the Kedah Council of Regency, having been appointed to succeed Tan Sri Tunku Annuar Sultan Badlishah who passed away on May 21, 2014.

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Ahmad Zahid conveying his condolences to Sultanah Haminah.



Former Kedah menteri besar Tan Sri Osman Aroff wipes away a tear as he pays his last respects with Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.



Tunku Sallehuddin and Tunku Temenggong Kedah Tunku Puteri Intan Shafinaz follow the cortege as it leaves for the royal mausoleum.

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