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DIGNITARIES PAY LAST RESPECTS TO THE KING AT ISTANA SELANGOR

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 21 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad were among dignitaries and members of the royal family who paid their last respects to the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah at Istana Selangor here this afternoon.

Dr Mahathir Mohamad, accompanied by Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi and his wife, Datin Seri Endon Mahmood, were among the first to arrive.

The Sultan of Johor, Sultan Iskandar and the Sultanah of Johor, arrived later.

They were met on arrival at the Istana Selangor by the Regent of Selangor, Tengku Idris Shah.

The Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Siti Aishah and members of the Selangor royal family were seen reciting verses from the Quran beside Sultan Salahuddin's remains.

Among others who paid their last respects were Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Dr Mohamed Khir Toyo, Information Minister Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob, Prime Minister's Religious Adviser Tan Sri Dr Abdul Hamid Othman and Health Minister Datuk Chua Jui Meng.

Former Selangor Menteris Besar Tan Sri Muhammad Muhammad Taib and Datuk Seri Abu Hassan Omar, Keadilan president Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail and Selangor state executive councillors were present.

Defence Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Najib Tun Razak and his wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor, the Tengku Mahkota of Kelantan, Tengku Muhammad Faris Petra and the Tunku Mahkota of Johor, Tunku Ibrahim Ismail also paid their last respects.

The lying-in-state will be at Istana Negara tomorrow.

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