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KING LAID TO REST AT KLANG ROYAL MAUSOLEUM

KLANG, Nov 22 (Bernama) --- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah was laid to rest at the Sultan Suleiman royal mausoleum here today.

He was buried near the grave of his grandfather, Sultan Alauddin Suleiman Shah, and his father, Sultan Sir Hisamuddin Alam Shah.

State Mufti, Datuk Seri Utama Diraja Mohamed Tamyas Abdul Wahid performed the funeral rites which commenced at 4.40pm.

A 67 gun salute was fired when the funeral rites were completed.

The newly proclaimed Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah then scattered flower petals and sprinkled scented water onto his grave. This was followed by the Raja Permaisuri Agong Tuanku Siti Aishah and Sultan Salahuddin's other children and close relatives.

The Timbalan Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin, Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah of Brunei, the Sultan of Perak, Sultan Azlan Shah and the Sultan of Kelantan, Sultan Ismail Petra, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi and Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Khir Toyo also scattered the flower petals and sprinkled scented water onto the grave.

The burial ceremony ended at about 5.30pm.

Earlier, following the proclamation of Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah at Istana Alam Shah, the coffin was placed on a carriage and pulled slowly to the mausoleum, 1.7km from the palace.

People from all walks of life lined the route to watch the cortege proceeding to the mausoleum.

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