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DR MAHATHIR VISITS BODYGUARD'S WIDOW

KUALA LUMPUR, May 3 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamad Ali, today visited the widow of his bodyguard, Kpl Yusof Ibrahim, who died two weeks ago.

The couple, who returned from London yesterday, spent about 30 minutes with Rusni Mohamed and her family at their house in Taman Seri Serdang, near here.

Dr Mahathir will return to work on Monday after two months' leave.

Present were Yusof's relatives and neighbours.

Yusof, 54, had an asthmatic attack at about 9.30pm on April 24 and died on the way to the Putrajaya Hospital.

Yusof, who leaves a wife and nine children, was one of Dr Mahathir's longest-serving bodyguards, having served him since he was appointed deputy prime minister in 1976.

Later, Dr Mahathir and Dr Siti Hasmah attended the wedding of the daughter of Laila Jaafar, personal assistant to the prime minister's principal private secretary.

They sprinkled scented water on the bride, Farah Hayati Muhammad, 23, and groom, Affendy Yahaya, 28, and joined them for lunch.

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