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*Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad joining prayers for the late Tan Sri Zainuddin Maidin at Surau At-Tarbiah in Taman Melawati, Kuala Lumpur, yesterday. PIC BY SYARAFIQ ABD SAMAD*

## PM pays his last respects

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** Former information minister Tan Sri Zainuddin Maidin was buried at the Kampung Klang Gates Muslim cemetery in Taman Melawati here at 10.10am yesterday.

Earlier, his remains were taken from his home in Putrajaya to Surau at-Tarbiah in Taman Melawati at 8.40am for prayers.

Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad was among those who paid their last respects

to Zainuddin, fondly known as Zam.

Dr Mahathir arrived at 9.20am and stayed until the hearse left with Zainuddin's body for the cemetery after prayers.

Apart from family members and close friends, others present were Communications and Multimedia Minister Gobind Singh Deo, former second finance minister Tan Sri Nor Mohamed Yakcop, former Media Prima Bhd

chairman Tan Sri Johan Jaaffar, national laureate Datuk A. Samad Said, *Berita Harian* executive editor Datuk Ahmad Zaini Kamaruzaman and film director Datuk Yusof Haslam.

Among those who paid their last respects were former attorney-general Tan Sri Abdul Gani Patail, former Kuala Lumpur mayor Tan Sri Ahmad Phesal Talib and Yayasan Salam Malaysia chairman Datuk Ahmad A. Talib.