R.I.P. ABDUL RASHID BIN MOHD EBRAMSAH 58-59 2-4-2016

On Monday evening I received an email from Susan Lim (60-61) conveying a sad piece of news.

Her message read:

"My former students from Dungun, Trengganu, informed me that Abd. Rashid M. Ebramsah passed away in Penang GH on 2nd April 2016 @ 12.45 a.m.

Susan"

And I replied Susan:

"Thank you, my dear Susan. Rashid was from Penang and I am in Penang but I was not aware!

I rang the Rashid's house but no one answered. I shall call later for information and shall circulate this sad news."

Subsequently I rang the house again and Rasid's daughter, Sharizat, answered.

According to her, Rashid was operated on his septic shoulder on Thursday. On Friday evening, they were informed by the doctors that Rashid's condition was critical. They were, of course, shocked.

In the early hours of Saturday, at 12.45 am Rashid passed away.

Sharizat mentioned that they did not have Rashid's contact numbers to inform his friends. Only most of their relatives and a few friends were told of his demise.

Rashid was from Block 11. He used to mix with Pasupathy, Nadarajah, Ramiah and others from his Block.

After Kirkby, Rashid was posted to Dungun, Trengganu. Raju Suppiah (55-57) remembers him as a very friendly person with a ready smile.

Rashid laughs quite easily. He made a name for himself among his students as a commendable teacher. Many of them kept in touch with him.

Rashid attended the 50th Golden Anniversary in 2001. And he also attended the first Penang Kirkby Reunion in 2004. He could noy attend the subsequent Reunions in Penang in 2010 and 2014.

Rashid had not been too well in the last few years. I used to meet him at the GH. Only two months ago I met him at the hospital. He was in a wheel-chair and the wife was pushing it. I had a little chat with him. He wasn't well.

Well, friends, life is transient. As last Saturday's Song stated, "This world is not my home. I'm just passing through."

Those wishing to contact Rashid's family may find this information useful:

Tel: 04-8908 217/013-4336 786

Address: 35 Lorong Halia, Jalan Mount Erskine, 10470 Penang

Yours in sorrow, RAMA