

R.I.P. APPALASAMY SEETHIAH (60-61) 5-8-2017

This morning K Arumugam (60-61) texted me to inform that there was a notification in the Star that Appalasley from his batch had passed on.

I went and got myself a copy of the Star and indeed there was an announcement regarding religious rites for Appalasley today at his residence.

I called Appalasley's residence at 4.15 pm and his wife answered my call. According to her, she and Appalasley spend most of their time in Kajang looking after their grandchildren. They occasionally return to Ipoh to tidy up their house after which they normally go back to Kajang.

On Saturday, 5 August 2017, Appalasley complained of pain on his right shoulder but it was tolerable. But around 4.30 pm he was not feeling too good and asked his son to take him to a clinic. An ECG was done and the doctor told them that Appalasley his condition was not too good and was advised to take him to the nearest hospital which happened to be the Kajang hospital.

Tests were done and medication was administered which helped to relieve Appalasley's uneasiness. Later he was feeling good and talking well. His wife visited him at 10.30 pm and found him to be well. She gave him some milk to drink and continued to talk to each other.

Then suddenly he had a cardiac arrest. Before she knew anything he was gone just like that!

They brought his body to Ipoh after the usual hospital clearance and reached their home around 3 am.

The next day, Sunday, his funeral took place. Though there was no announcement in the newspapers, a very large crowd turned up for the funeral. He had many floral tributes as he was well-known as a Maths tuition teacher.

Tan Sri Thambirajah (60-61) rang up to convey his condolences, as did many others.

Appalasley has two sons and three grandchildren.

Unfortunately Appalasley had not attended any of our Reunions. I called him up for the 2014 Penang Kirkby Reunion but he told him he could not attend it as he was not feeling well. He had difficulty standing up and be on his feet long. The sole of his feet hurt him very badly.

With Appalasley's demise we have lost 21 Kirkbyites since January 2017. The month of August witnessed four deaths so far – it was the biggest number for a month!

Those wishing to convey your sympathies to Appalasley's wife can call his home at **05-5277 690**. Their address is: **16, Jalan Taiping, Lim Gardens, 30100 Ipoh, Perak.**

Yours in sorrow,

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