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### **Supplement 2– (September 2016)**

## **Sad demise of Capt. (R) Abdus Salam Khan in California, USA**

**A versatile writer and an indefatigable mind went silent on 27th September 2016 at 7.30 a.m.**



Capt. Abdus Salam Khan in the company of Masud Akhtar Choudry (front left) and family members

Capt. (R) Abdus Salam Khan, son of the late revered Maulana Muhammad Yakub Khan, breathed his last on 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 at 7.30 a.m. in a hospital in his hometown of Rancho Cucamonga, California, USA.

Among his family members, Capt. Abdus Salam Khan was more fondly known as Chamoo Bhai, and among his friends as Captain Sahib.

Abdus Salam Khan was born in 1927. This energetic young man joined the Indian Navy during the British Raj and had a noble career in the service. Later, in 1948, he joined the Merchant Navy in Karachi and had a remarkable time in Iran. At the departure of the Shah, he returned to Pakistan and joined a Pakistani shipping company, during which he spent most of his time in East Pakistan.

During his career in the Indian Navy and the Merchant Navy he had some nerve-raking adventures, which showed his strong nerves and valour.

Capt. Sahib had a tremendous memory and had read a vast range of literature of English, Urdu and Persian poetry. He loved reading and writing. In his prime, he wrote hundreds of pages, translated Urdu books into English, and worked day and night firstly on his typewriter and later on his computer to translate hundreds of pages. He had tremendous stamina for doing literary work and also meeting and serving literary and political figures.

His house in Ahmad Block, New Garden Town, Lahore was a virtual retreat for scholars, political figures, friends and needy people. He would attend and serve them without a demur on his forehead, making everybody feel at home. He was not affluent, but he would go beyond his means to help people. His care for his ailing father, his mother, his brother and his sister was enviable.

Capt. Sahib inherited his wonderful sense of humour and writing ability from his illustrious and profoundly devoted father, the legendry teacher, preacher and speaker – the late Maulana Muhammad Yakub Khan. He was also a keen hunter like his father.

Capt. Sahib had only recently moved to his own house at 6908 London Avenue. For a couple of years, he had been suffering from acute diabetes and heart problems. Only last year he went through a risky heart operation and survived. But the month of September was very hard on him and he fought with his usual strong will, but at last he succumbed to the will of Allah.

This man, Capt. Abdul Salam Khan, with his remarkable qualities and capabilities, is now with His Lord. *Inna Lillahi wa inna ilaihi raji'un.* (Surely we are Allah's, and to Him we shall return.) – The Holy Qur'an: (2:156)

**The late Capt. Abdus Salam Khan will be buried on  
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September after the *Jumu'ah* prayers  
in Forrest Lawn Cemetery, Covina, California.**

**The *Janaza salah* and the public viewing will be after the *Jumu'ah* prayers at  
the Chino Mosque in California.**

Capt. Abdus Salam Khan passed 89 years – a life full of activities, adventures and service to his fellow beings. May Allah shower forgiveness on the departed soul of the late Br. Salam Khan, who brought peace and comfort to so many men and women.

Our thoughts are with his noble and hospitable wife, Najma Khan, who proved to be an angel in this life. May Allah bless her. May Allah also grant peace and comfort to Capt. Sahib's sons, especially Dr Mubarak Ahmad Khan and Mr Ahmad Reza Khan.

We also express our condolences to one of his nephews, Mr Sajjad Ahmad Khan, who lives in Sweden and is a budding writer in Urdu and is working hard on creating a website in memory of his maternal grandfather, the late Maulana Muhammad Yakub Khan.

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