

R.I.P. VANITHA MANI MUTHUTAMBY (52-53) 11-5-2017

I dread 2017!

With very warm regards,
RAMA

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At 10.27 am this morning, T Balasubramaniam sent me this email:

“Rama I just had a call from a lady who is Vanitha Muthutamby’s daughter saying her mother passed away. She tried to call you but could not get through. I will send you her number.”

I carry with me all the Kirkby contact numbers whenever I travel and I immediately called Vanitha’s home.

Her daughter Shamini answered. She mentioned that her mother passed away last night. The funeral will take place at 1 pm today.

Vanitha was from the first batch (52-53) – the pioneering batch of Kirkbyites.

She used to be a very friendly person whenever we had a conversation.

She could not attend the 2010 Penang Kirkby Reunion because she had to look after a sick husband who had a stroke and was in the hospital for a month in the high dependency unit. That’s what she told me on 5-4-2010. Her husband passed away on 1-7-2014 and I only learned of it when I called her on 22-10-2014.

She has two daughters: one a doctor at Sungai Buloh and the other is with the UN agency. This was what I was told in 2010.

Lately Vanitha has not been well. In fact, when I called her on 22-4-2017 to inform her of her college-mate, Norah Murray’s birthday, she wasn’t available. I didn’t know then that she was unwell.

Again when I called her on 26-4-2017 to inform her of another college-mate, Violet Dass Lazarus’ birthday, her daughter told me that her mother was very sick and could not speak to me.

Yours in sorrow,
Rama

