



**NEWS**

Pictured at the Women For Peace dinner/dance at the Lenasia South Civic Centre earlier this month are, front row, from left: Adi Pillay, Farida Salejee, Sivagami Govender, Angela Moodley, Rani Rampersadh, Ross Parsad, Tiny Packeri, Ross Chetty and Neela Moodley. Back row, from left: Latchmee Francis, Seetha Nadasen, Genie Pillay, Nagama Moodley, Poulay Govindasami, Fatima Sultan, Viggie Vythalingam, Sivadushpam Naidoo, Monty Padayachee, Tholsie Pillay and Suki Ajoodha. Pic: Gopal Naransamy

## Ahmed Timol's mother passes on

*... a year after appearing before the TRC*

**HER experience of pain and suffering, (Mrs) Hawabibi Timol told the Truth and Reconciliation Commission exactly a year ago, she would wish on no other mother.**

Last Wednesday (21 May), Mrs Timol, five days short of her 79th birthday, passed away at her Azaadville, West Rand home.

She was buried at the local cemetery later that evening - her funeral attended by mainly family and friends - and is sur-

vived by sons Ismail, Mohammad and Haroon, daughters Zubeida and Aysha, 11 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

A spokesperson for the family said the deceased had been in poor health since last December.

The sight of Mrs Timol on television, her impassioned appeal to the TRC to establish the truth of her son Ahmed's death in 1971, and her very conviction of appearing before the Commission brought tears to many an eye. "In fact," said the

family spokesperson, "she remembered Ahmed almost till she closed her eyes for the last time.

"It was her fervent wish that the true circumstances be made known

to her during her lifetime.

She had, at the time, told the family that she had to appear before the TRC, as she owed this to Ahmed, and the country."

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