



MOUNT AUBURN HOSPITAL

Message from Mount Auburn Hospital to the People of Thailand

The Mount Auburn Hospital family mourns the loss of the revered King of Thailand, His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej, who died peacefully at the age of 88 on October 13, 2016 and was born at Mount Auburn Hospital on December 5, 1927. He was the longest reigning monarch born on American soil having reigned in Thailand for 70 years.

In 1927, Prince Mahidol Adulyadej of Songkla came to study Public Health at Harvard University with his wife Princess Srinagarindra who studied chemistry and nutrition at Simmons College. On December 5 she gave birth to the King at Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge.

"It is with deep sadness that we learned of the King's passing. He was a true leader in public health issues and reigned with an ever deepening commitment to the people of Thailand," says Jeanette Clough, President & CEO of Mount Auburn Hospital. "We join with the people of Thailand both near and far in expressing our sincerest condolences to the family of the King."

King Bhumibol Adulyadej and Queen Sirikit visited the Hospital on July 7, 1960. He was quoted, "I am most happy on what I might call a homecoming," upon his arrival. "It is something I dreamed of a long time and its realization brings great happiness."

The Hospital's flags will fly at half-mast to mark the passing of Thailand's beloved monarch.



His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand Memorial Fund

Mount Auburn Hospital and The King of Thailand Birthplace Foundation propose to establish the *His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand Memorial Fund* at Mount Auburn Hospital. The Fund will honor His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej's memory as well as his leadership in public health and commitment to caring for people in need.

The goal is to reach \$100,000 in contributions to the Fund to create a permanent endowment, the income from which will provide support for the general charitable purposes of Mount Auburn Hospital and help fulfill its mission to provide excellent, compassionate care to all its patients.

The *H.M. King Bhumibol Adulyadej of Thailand Memorial Fund* will be overseen by the President of the hospital. Any income from the Fund that is not expended in a particular year will be available to be spent in the following year in accordance with the stated purposes of the Fund.