

Mrs. Kuldhir S. Singh – An Obituary

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(One devoted in spirit, a model of womanhood –
whose beautiful soul matches her serene life!)

Bibi Kuldhir Kaur, wife of Sr. Saran Singh, I.A.S. (Retd.), Editor, **The Sikh Review**, who passed away at her home in Calcutta, on 28 September, 2007, epitomized the noble attributes of a woman as laid down in *Guru-Vâni*. She was an affectionate daughter [of the eminent theologian-philosopher, Sr. Raghbir Singh Bir] a deeply devoted wife, mother and grandmother, steeped in the Sikh lore. Born in Calcutta on 29 October 1925 she studied in Ashutosh College, excelling in music – which in later life blossomed into regular Kirtan sessions wherever her family happened to reside: Patna, Delhi – and Calcutta – after retirement of her husband.

A remarkable aspect of her *persona* was the total absence of ego, and a radiant smile. Her simplicity and hospitality would long be remembered by family and friends. No wonder the *antim ardas*, at Gurdwara Jagat Sudhar (where she had married Mr Singh over 50 years ago) was distinguished for a cheerful solemnity in the spirit of thanksgiving for a life marked by dignity and faith.

The Sikh Cultural Centre and the SR convey their sympathy to our dear president & editor, and pray for the peace of the departed soul.

- Narinder Pal Singh
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