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## **HH SHEIKH MOHAMED BIN RACHID SON OF RULER SHEIKH AL MAKHTOUM DIES AT 34**

### **UAE IS MOURNING THE BELOVED PRINCE**

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**USPA NEWS** - Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, best known in the equestrian world as the owner of prestigious stables Zabeel Racing International, died Saturday, September 19, 2015, succumbing to a heart attack, according to an announcement by his father's services .

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Upset at the funeral, Sheikh Hamdan, the nearest of nine brothers Rashid, born a year after her also of Sheikha Hind, paid a moving tribute to his eldest via his Instagram account: "Today I lost a best friend and a childhood companion. My dear brother Rashid, we will miss you," wrote one who is since 2008 the crown prince of Dubai title. Emeritus Cavalier (double champion in the Asian Games, he won in 2014 the test of individual endurance during the World Equestrian Games held in Normandy), he is the head of a personal fortune estimated at around \$ 3 billion. Graduated in 2002 from the prestigious British military academy Sandhurst, through which passed some years after her princes William and Harry, Rashid Sheikh for his part had a fortune estimated around \$ 2 billion, with interests including in the Tesla group the Noor Investment Group or the Dubai Holding Company, among others. An accomplished sportsman and notorious fan of football, especially Manchester United, he agreed with Dubai Cares, an organisation that aims to provide access to education for underprivileged children around the world.

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