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## **FRENCH SECRETARY HARLEM DESIR GIVES TRIBUTE TO HELMUT SCHMIDT BUILDER OF EUROPE**

### **FORMER CHANCELOR DIES AT 96**

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#### **HELMUT SCHMIDT DIES AT 96 IN HIS HIS CITY HOME OF HAMBURG**

Helmut Heinrich Schmidt died in his home city of Hamburg on 10 November 2015 from complications of surgery he had to cure a blood clot in his left left. He was 96 years old. He was a German politician, former Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany from 1974 to 1982. From 1969 to 1972, he was Minister of Defence of West Germany. From 1972 to 1974 he was Minister of Finance. He became a prisoner of war in 1945, at the end of World War II, he was a First Lieutenant.

He also helped to consolidate Germany's post-war economic boom. Chancellor Angela Merkel hailed him as a "political institution" in Germany. He is seen as one of the most popular German leaders since WWII.

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