

# Omar Suleiman dies

Egypt's former intelligence chief, one of ousted President Hosni Mubarak's most senior officials, has died while undergoing medical tests in the U.S.



■ **1935:** Born in Qena, Upper Egypt

■ **1954:** Joins army. Gains masters degrees in military science from **Frunze Academy** in Moscow and political science at **Cairo University**

■ **1962-72:** Fights in Yemen war as well as 1967, 1972 Arab-Israeli wars

■ **1991:** Becomes director of military intelligence

■ **1993:** Director of **Egyptian General Intelligence Services**, playing prominent role as mediator between Israel and Palestinians

■ **1995:** Earns Mubarak's confidence after advice to take armoured car to Ethiopia thwarts assassination attempt

■ **Jan 29, 2011:** Appointed vice-president in bid to restore order during **Arab Spring** revolt

■ **2012:** Disqualified by Electoral Commission from running in presidential election