



# Hachiko Statue

Hachikō (ハチ公, 10 November 1923 – 8 March 1935) was a Japanese Akita dog known for his remarkable loyalty. He would leave home and meet his owner, Hidesaburō Ueno, at Shibuya Station each evening after his commute from work at Tokyo Imperial University. One day Ueno suffered a cerebral hemorrhage during a lecture, and never returned to the station where Hachiko waited. Hachiko continued to wait for over nine years following Ueno's death. Commuters and station staff began to bring him food and treats as word of his faithfulness spread.



Hachikō became a national sensation. His faithfulness to his master's memory impressed the people of Japan as a spirit of family loyalty to which all should strive to achieve. Teachers and parents used Hachikō's vigil as an example for children to follow. A bronze statue was erected in his honor at Shibuya Station in 1948, which serves as a popular meeting spot today.



Shibuya Station. Take the Hachikō Exit (ハチ公口, Hachikō-guchi) on the west side.



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