

# Labour leader dies in autocrash

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**D**EPUTY General Secretary of the National Union of Air Transport Employees (NUATE), which is affiliated to the Nigeria Labour Congress (NLC), Comrade Ibrahim Mandung Makut is dead.

He left behind an aged mother, about five children and wife.

Although details of his death were sketchy, *Saturday Champion* authoritatively learnt at the weekend that Makut in his late 50s died in a fatal autocrash in the early hours of Wednesday in the outskirts of Ibadan on his way back to Lagos from Abuja, with three other passengers.

An impeccable source said: "Comrade Makut went to Abuja to present NUATE's position paper on the N19.5 billion Aviation Intervention fund probe currently going on in the National Assembly. He missed his flight in Abuja and decided to take a night bus to Lagos to meet an important appointment. He died on his way back to Lagos."

The late Makut whose corpse has been deposited at a Lagos-based mortuary would be buried on Tuesday, July 8, 2008 in his home town, Dares Village, Mandar Ward in Bokkos local government area of Plateau State.