

How Kidnappers Killed Surveyor After Collecting N2.3m Ransom

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A surveyor in the Office of the Surveyor General of the Federation (OSGOF), Mr Alamu Samsideen Abayomi, who was abducted by gunmen on the Abuja-Lokoja highway, has been shot dead despite the payment of N2,350,000 to his abductors.

The mother of the deceased, Alhaja Afusat M. Alamu, while narrating the incident through telephone to our reporter on Monday, said she, her son (deceased) and grandson, Abdulhaq Alamu, were travelling from Iwo, Osun State, in a

Toyota Corolla to Abuja when they ran into the gunmen who opened fire on the vehicle and took them captive.

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She explained that, "After trekking for more than eight kilometres, we arrived at their camp, where they asked us to communicate with whoever could raise N50m for them.

"They maltreated me and my son until I was able to reach out to some of our relatives and my son's colleagues in Abuja where N2,350,000 was raised for us.

"However, after receiving the money, my son was shot dead on Thursday after the gunmen claimed that he attempted to fight them.

"As we were walking inside the bush when we were released, the kidnappers claimed that my son was trying to fight them and that was why they shot him and allowed me and my grandson to go.

"Later, my son's friends and some relatives mobilised to the scene where the kidnappers collected the ransom to retrieve my son's corpse, but they did not find the corpse.

"So I have reported the incident at the Abaji police station because that Tuesday night we were abducted, it was the

police from Abaji who came and towed my son's vehicle to their station."

There was no response from both the FCT and Kogi commands of the police over the development.