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# Woman, 60, Cries For Justice Over Son's Death

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**M**rs Helen Odiazor, the 60-year-old mother of Melody Odiazor, who was allegedly killed by vigilante group in Benin, Edo State, has cried out for justice, calling on the police to fish out the killers of

her son.

Melody, a tipper driver apprentice, our correspondent gathered was allegedly killed the same day his father died.

But, the woman told newsmen yesterday in Benin that her son was allegedly shot dead by some local vigilante members at tipper garage along Saint Saviour road at about 9pm, while returning home af-

ter being informed about his father's death.

Her words: "My son was said to have been shot alongside two other boys and their bodies displayed at St Saviour Police Station, in Benin, on the allegation that they were armed robbers."

She lamented that it was painful to lose her husband and son the same day, adding that her husband died

in a hospital on November 8, while she was told of the son's death at about 4am the following day.

Rachel, elder sister of the deceased said police told the family that their brother was not dead, but being treated for gunshot injuries.

She said the police refused to disclose the hospital where her brother was admitted or take the

family to the hospital.

Her words: "They said they were three of them that were shot that night and the police told us that one died instantly, my brother was seriously injured while one is in custody."

But, Babatunde Kokumo, Police Commissioner for the state has waded into the matter by inviting the Divisional Police

Officer of Saint Saviour Police Station and vigilante group that killed Melody.

"I have invited all ties to a meeting for proper briefing because impression given to police was that vigilante group had an encounter with armed robbers that information emerged about the 'ing", the CP said.