

# Man Demands Justice For Wife Murder In Family Feud

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Mr Emenike Okoye, a mechanic from Ogbunike in Oyi local government area of Anambra State has demanded justice for her wife, Nkiru, who was allegedly beaten to death by George Okoye on July 19, 2022.

Nkiru Okoye nee Okelue, 40 hails from Abba Chimamanda Adichie's community.

Mr Okoye, who was inflicted with multiple cuts from the attack and is now in the hospital narrated how George and his family with other persons invaded his house that fateful day, dragged his wife out and beat her to death after which they descended on him leaving him half dead.

He is now recuperating at Isaac Chira Memorial Hospital and Maternity, Awkzu, in Oyi Local council.

Although George Okoye is said to have been arrested and is currently in police custody, the whereabouts of his wife, Mrs Uzonna Okoye, twins daughters and son, Somtochukwu Okoye, who accompanied him to the murderous invasion are still unknown, a development which the deceased wife family saw as an aberration.

Meanwhile, late Nkiru's family has threatened that if arresting the rest of the accomplices was delayed, they could affect the arrest themselves because they cannot leave their daughter's five teenage children to suffer.

Mr Emenike Okoye narrated that he was at home on July 19, preparing for work, while his late wife (Nkiru) was preparing to travel to her home town Abba for a meeting of Umuada when his elder brother, George, led his wife Uzonna and their three children to his house early in the morning between 6 am to 8 am and beat him and his wife for no reason.

He narrated from his hospital bed: "We did not do anything. I was preparing for work, and my wife was preparing the children for school and also travelling home for a meeting of Umuada. George and his wife, Uzonna and their son, Somtochukwu and twin daughters invaded my house around 6 am to 8 am,

overpowered us, beat us to a stupor, and left. Later when my children have gone to school, they returned with some persons and dangerous weapons, including an axe.

“They dragged my wife outside the house, hit and killed her with axe and chair. She fell and died. When I resisted their move to drag me outside too, they broke my hand with an axe, hitting me with the axe all over my body until I passed out. You can see the cut on my eyes.

“They left me thinking that I was also dead. But God helped me to wake up later. I reported the incident to our local vigilante and they drove me to the hospital where I am now receiving treatment”.

He sought assistance from relevant authorities and interested individuals to relocate him to a better hospital where he would fully recover.

He traced the cause of the invasion dispute over family land, saying: “George right from when our mother (Mrs Adaoba Okoye) was alive, said he is our landlord. He is not our firstborn yet he claims ownership of the entire compound and always fights with all of us.

“My wife was not even married when this crisis started. And we had our three children abroad.

“It was when the company where I was working folded that I returned home. And we had our last two children here (in Ogbunike). So, she had nothing to do with this. Why kill her for nothing?

“The crisis led to the death of our mother and our eldest brother. He reported us to the kindred, and our property was shared, with him taking the larger part. I took mine without complaining. Later, he started laying claims to the route to my house.

“He reported me to our kindred but it was settled in my favour. He disagreed and kept on troubling me to stop taking the road. When I built the dwarf perimeter fence, he pulled it down and even reported me to the kindred. I left it. A member of our kindred, Onwa later intervened and wanted to pay him N500,000 to hand off the portion so that he will also build a perimeter fence to separate both of our houses. He agreed but when it was time to start the construction, he rejected the offer.”