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She was killed last month by hoodlums, but when news of the death of Doris Nnadi, a Corps member, reached her junior colleagues at the Nnamdi Azikiwe University (UNIZIK), Awka, where she studied Law, tears flowed freely. UCHE ANICHEBE (500-Level Law) reports.

### Killed on rescue mission

**T**HE Faculty of Law, Nnamdi Azikiwe University (UNIZIK), Awka, the Anambra State capital was in grief last week.

A former student of the faculty, Doris Nnadi, was killed on Christmas Eve. Tears flowed freely when students, who knew her learnt about her death.

Doris graduated with a Second Class, Upper Division, in 2011. She proceeded to the Law School, Abuja where she also made a Second Class, Upper Division. A month after she was called to the Bar, Doris was killed by yet unidentified gunmen.

The deceased was a Corps member serving at the Kwara State Ministry of Justice before the incident.

It was gathered that Doris left her place of primary assignment to visit her family in Warri during the Yuletide. In preparation for the Christmas, she was accompanied by her sisters to shop at a supermarket. The girls rode in their father's car.

They returned to their family house at 7:44pm. Chidinma, her sister, who drove, parked at the gate on getting home. Then, Doris and others began to move the bought items into the compound. After they had emptied the trunk of the car, Chidinma stayed back in the car with her other sisters.

The assailants, according to Chidinma, approached the car from the corner of the house. One of them, she said, came to the passenger's side, knocking on the windscreen. He forced the door open and two of them, aged between 22 and 25, got into the car. "One sat at the front; the other sat in the back. The last one watched

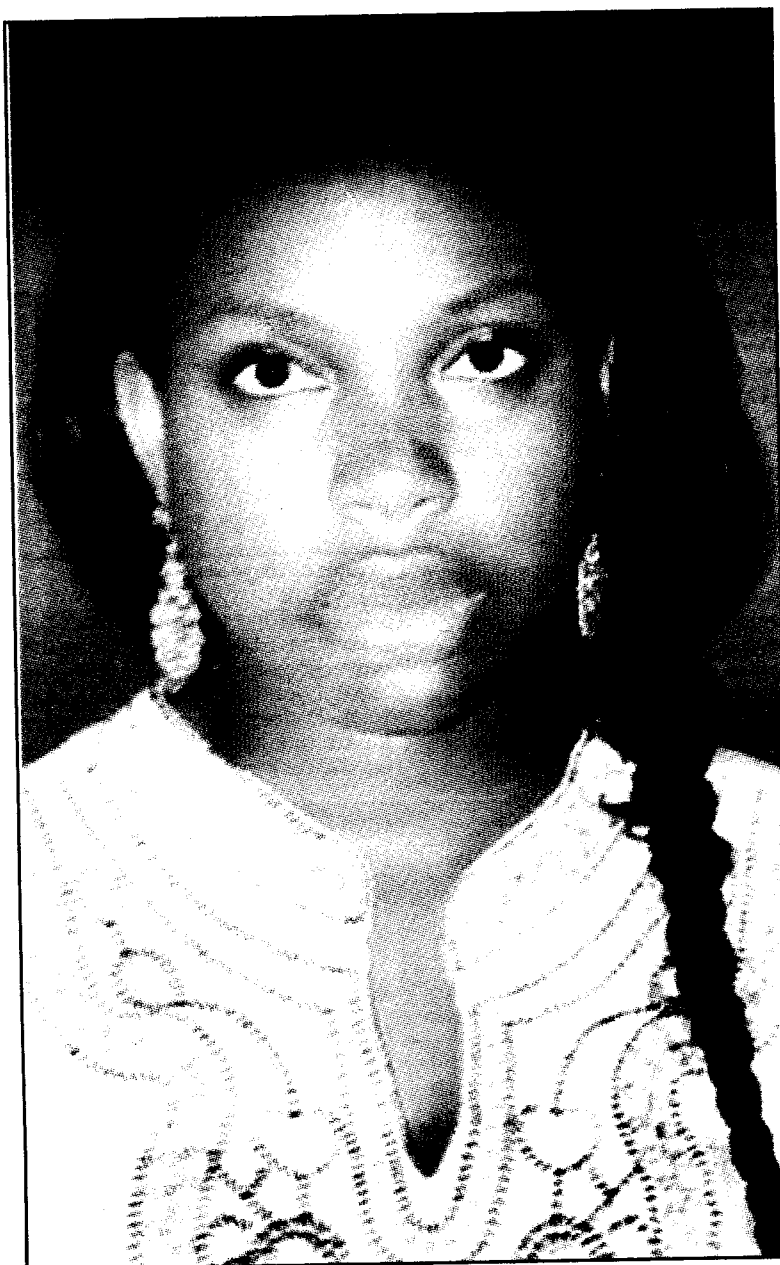
out for rescuers," she recalled.

She continued: "Immediately they got in, I noticed that the boys had guns with them. Then, one of them pointed a gun at me, demanding for the car key. I begged them to leave the car, pleading that it did not belong to me. I offered to part with all the money I had in my bag. While I was still begging them, I saw Doris, who seemed to have noticed them from the house, coming out. She approached the boys, obviously unaware that they were armed. She scolded them for harassing and intimidating us. Immediately, the boy outside the car shot at her. They fled the scene, without taking anything."

Doris was rushed to Mazon Clinic, close to their residence. The family hoped she would survive. Their hope was dashed an hour later, when a doctor told the waiting sympathisers that Doris was having "severe internal bleeding". The doctor reportedly said there was nothing he could do to remove the bullet, which penetrated Doris' back bone.

In an unconscious state, the late Doris was moved to Syracus Clinic, Warri, where she was admitted for surgery. Four hours after the operation, her family was asked to get blood for the completion of the treatment.

The family bought the blood to continue the operation. On the fifth pint of blood, the condition of the late Doris, who was said to have started talking, became worse. She jerked uncontrollably and died. Her remains were buried three days



• The late Doris

later in Amaigbo, Nwangele Local Government Area, Imo State.

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Doris' death shocked her mates in the university. Blessing Onwubiko, her roommate at UNIZIK, lamented the death of her best friend. She told CAMPUSLIFE: "I cannot believe that Doris is no more. Whenever I close my eyes, I still remember vividly the times we spent together. The late Doris was more than a roommate to me. She was my friend and confidant. She was the one that helped me through school works because of her brilliance. I pray that God bring her killers to book."

The late Doris' parents, Mr and Mrs Silas Nnadi, were still mourning their daughter when CAMPUSLIFE spoke to them on phone last weekend. According to them, God would judge the killers of the "promising girl."