

Father of jilted lover stabs son's rival dead two days after wedding



Alhaji Sabo Manigi, the father of a man jilted by his girlfriend to marry a Police Inspector, has stabbed his son's rival dead. Manigi allegedly killed the Police Inspector, Nasiru Musa, out of frustration that the woman his son was dating opted to marry Musa, causing his son a heartbreak.

Spurred by anger, Manigi allegedly stabbed Nasiru with a knife as the latter was returning from work two days after he wedded the woman he and Manigi's son were dating.

The incident occurred in Manigi village of Masegu Local Government Area, **Niger State**.

Our correspondent gathered that the deceased Inspector had been serving in the police for about 22 years and both he and Manigi's son had dated the lady in question for some time.

A source in the community said: "Before the marriage took place, the girl's parents had called her and asked her who she wanted to marry between the two men, and she chose Nasiru.

"They got married on Saturday.

"But on the day the marriage was concluded, the boy she rejected (Manigi's son) fainted."

The father of the rejected lover was said to have confronted Nasiru as the latter was returning from work with a friend, and told him that his son had been on fainting spree since the lady rejected him.

He then said he must kill Nasiru for not allowing his son to marry the love of his life.

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Recalling the incident, one of Nasiru's friends said that he (Nasiru) thought that Manigi was joking until he brought out a knife and stabbed him.

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Nasiru's friend, seeing the deceased bleeding, had to run to call the father of the deceased.

Confirming the incident, a member of Nasiru's family identified simply as Abdulrasheed said the late Nasiru was his uncle, and he was rushed to the Federal Medical Centre in Bida, where he died after battling for his life.

Abdulrasheed said: "My uncle was rushed to the hospital in Bida. He had surgery and even woke up and was talking.

"But around 1am on Tuesday, he started bleeding and eventually gave up the ghost after battling for his life."

He said he did not know the name of the lady at the centre of the crisis or how long they had dated.

The Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of Niger State Police Command, Wasiu Abiodun, a Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP), also confirmed the incident in an interview with 'The Nation'.

He said: "On 3rd February 2025, at about 4 pm, it was reported at Mashegu Division that Inspector Musa Nasiru, a police prosecutor at Mashegu, was stabbed with a knife in the stomach by one Alhaji Sabo of Manigi village via Mashegu over a minor dispute.

"The victim was rushed to FMC Bida for treatment but later died.

"The suspect escaped from the scene, but the effort to apprehend him is in progress, as the incident is under investigation."