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Thunder kills 2, injures one in Niger community

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TWO people were killed and one injured by thunder on Friday at Pogo community in Paikoro Local Government Area of Niger State, *Nigerian Tribune*

gathered on Sunday in Minna, the state capital.

A 25-year-old man, Aliyu Salihu and a 13-year-old student of an Islamic school who was simply identified as Abbas died on the spot when thunder

struck during a light rain shower at about 8:00 p.m

that fateful evening, while another victim, whose name was given was Abdullahi, sustained injuries in the process.

Late Aliyu's father,

Malam Salihu Makeri informed the *Nigerian Tribune* on Sunday that the victims were harvesting mangoes when lightening suddenly enveloped the community with the accompanying thunder.

"It was like electric sparks and a heavy thunderstorm which shook the entire community.

"People were screaming in front of my house and when I rushed out. I saw three figures lying under the mango tree," he explained.

He said Aliyu and Abbas died instantaneously, while Abdullahi sustained injuries.

He pointed at the gaping hole where the victims reportedly met their death when our reporter visited the community on Sunday.

He described the death of Aliyu who he said was his eldest child as very painful and a rude shock, highlighting that the family was putting pressure on the deceased to get married before sudden death came calling.



ing at Community Road, off Old Otta Street, in Alagbado, Lagos, on Sunday.