

Gunmen in army uniform kill petrol station owner in Ogun

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2 A petrol station owner at Ifo area of Ogun State, Femi Oso, was on Sunday shot dead by gunmen in military uniform at his business premises.

The incident, it was learnt, occurred at about 10.00 p.m. after the close of work at the station.

The assailants were reported to have shot the victim on the head, collected his money and driven away his car with registration number EKY903GZ.

A nephew of the victim, who identified himself as Abbey, informed that the men were in military camouflage during the operation which lasted for just few minutes.

He said: "They were all in military uniform. It happened at Osofem Oil and Gas, Nitel Bus-stop at Ifo, Ogun State, at about 10:00 p.m. on Sunday.

'He was about going home when they came to attack him. He tried to escape and they shot him on the head, took his car and his money and went away.'

He further said the Toyota Corolla car was later found inside a bush at Obada-Oko

in Ewekoro Local Government Area of the state on Wednesday, adding that the vehicle had been taken to the police station.

Also, wife of the deceased, a father of three, including a 10-month-old baby, Omolayo James, confirmed the recovery of the vehicle to the *Nigerian Tribune*.

She said the vehicle was tracked by policemen to a bush at Obada-Oko area of Abeokuta, where it was abandoned by the killers.

Omolara, while narrating what happened on Sunday, said she was at home at about 11:00 p.m. when she received a call from one of her husband's employees.

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Abimbola Oyeyemi, confirmed the incident, adding that the matter was already being investigated.

He, however, said the incident was a case of armed robbery, just as he said the robbers might have probably gotten information that the deceased was in possession of some money.

"It's a case of armed robbery and the command is investigating it. We learnt they came in military uniform and they killed the man."