

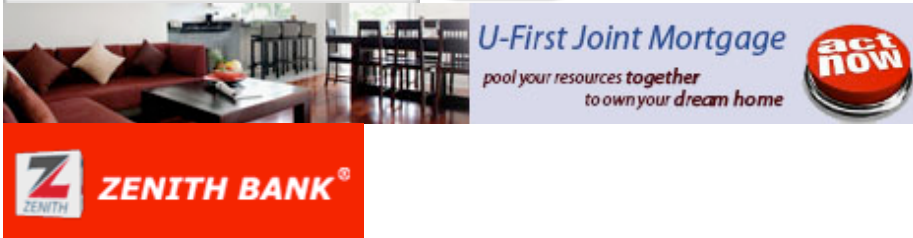
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Some yet-to-be identified gunmen on Tuesday night killed a retired military personnel, Major Olawole Emmanuel, at his residence in Akure, Ondo State capital.

His house was about 100 metres to Fanibi Police Post and about 200 metres to Fanibi Police Station and the Area Commander's office.

The gunmen killed Emmanuel in the presence of his wife. They also shot his wife and house girl when they tried raised the alarm.

The remains of the deceased had been deposited at state General Hospital mortuary, while the injured members of the family are receiving treatment at the intensive unit of Federal Medical Centre, Owo.

An eyewitness, who spoke with our correspondent on condition of anonymity, said that two young men came into the house and requested to see "Daddy."

*PUNCH Metro* learnt that the security man turned down the request, saying the retired soldier was not willing to see anybody at that time.

It was gathered that while one of the gunmen was talking with the security man, the other gunman left them and scaled the fence of a neighbour's house, entered the Major's compound, brought out a gun and placed it on the security man's head.

The source said that the security man was ordered to lead them into Emmanuel's apartment.

He said the late soldier who was in his late 60s was dragged to the gate of the house and shot at close range, adding that the gunmen left the scene immediately.

Another eyewitness said it was the two gunmen that scaled

the fence of Emmanuel's neighbour around 8.30pm and locked those found on the premises in a toilet.

Although the eyewitness did not give the number of those found on the premises, he said when the gunmen found out that the toilet could not contain them, they locked them up in one of the rooms in the three-bedroom apartment.

He added that they also locked the door leading to the sitting room and threw the key away before scaling the fence and jumped into Emmanuel's compound.

He said, "Those who were locked up remained in that condition from 9pm till 4.30am before some people came to open the door for them."

Efforts to get the police confirmation were unsuccessful as calls made to the mobile line of the command's Public Relations Officer, Mr. Adeniran Aremu, did not connect.

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RIP Major, but still thinking What the offence of this nice man could ve been to deserve such a cruel death. He was a very nice and jovial man whose house is beside my mechanic's workshop.

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Heinous crimes persist in this country because our police do not have a good track record of apprehending and prosecuting offenders like their American and European counterparts. By now, the call logs of the deceased and

his family members for the past three months out to have been obtained and analysed, the fingerprints of the assailants ought to have been harvested from the crime scene, analysed and cross-referenced with the database of INEC, NIMA and service providers like Glo, Airtel etc. I can bet it that instead of doing this, our able policemen would by now have arrested and detained the all the neighbours and even innocent persons on that street for the purpose of extorting money from them. Case closed.

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