Robbers, making way out of hotel, kill Ibadan socialite

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N Ibadan-based socialite, Olaleye Ajibola, popularly called Gatuso, has been reportedly killed by gunmen suspected to be armed robbers.

Ajibola was said to have been attacked on Saturday by at the Town House Hotel, owned by a prominent

politician in Oyo State.

It was gathered that the victim arrived at the hotel in company with some of his friends and ran into the robbers, who were just leaving the premises.

The robbers were said to have successfully completed an operation in the hotel by stealing

valuables belonging to employees and guests when they sighted Ajibola making a call. He was gunned down at a close range.

His body had since been deposited in the mortuary. Unconfirmed report had it that he would be buried on Sunday in accordance with Islamic rites.

The police in the state had yet to make an official statement on the incident as of the time of filing this report.

Calls made to the Police Public Relations Officer, Olugbenga Fadeyi, said, "Teslim Akinpelu, aka Gatuso, was shot dead by four armed men at Town Hotel, NTC, Iyaganku, around 12.45am. The gunmen pretended to be lodgers before carying out their evil intention."