Vigilante mistakenly shoots Delta community leader dead, beaten to death

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local vigilante, Mr David Power, has been beaten to death for allegedly killing a former President-General of the Ukpiowin community in the Udu Local Government Area of Delta State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the incident happened at the community's secondary school during the swearing-in of the new executive committee, where the victim, Mr Fredrick Ighoshemusua, handed over to his successor.

An eyewitness, who spoke on condition of anonymity, stated, "Ighoshemusua's tenure as president-general of the community ended and he had successfully handed over to his successor when



• Delta CP, Mohammed Ali he met his untimely death.

"While the celebration was on, the former PG left for his house. After some time, it was discovered that he was no longer there and they sent for him to take part in a group photograph.

"It was in the process of taking the group photograph that the vigilante member started shooting in the air in celebration. "At a point, as he was shooting, his pump action gun did not respond. He brought the gun down and was trying to fix it when it discharged and the bullet hit the immediate past PG in the chest and he died on the spot.

"When the vigilante saw what had happened, he quickly mounted a motorcycle and was heading for the police station to report the incident, but some angry youths gave him a chase and stopped him at the railway line. They brought him back to the venue and beat him to death."

When contacted over the incident, the acting Police Public Relations Officer in the state, DSP Bright Edafe, confirmed the incident and noted that Ighoshemusua was 51-year-old. "