Octogenarian killed by policeman buried, suspect detained

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he Adamawa State Police Command has arrested a policeman, Sergeant Aliyu Yusuf, over the death of an octogenarian, Maryam Abdullahi, in Yola, the state capital.

Saturday PUNCH gathered that the victim was buried on Friday in accordance with Islamic rite.

According to reports, Abdullahi was killed on Thursday following an attempted arrest of a youth by policemen on patrol at Doubelli, a suburb in Jimeta-Yola.

Our correspondent learnt that the youth was related to the deceased.

The police, who wanted to whisk

the suspect away, were reportedly resisted by locals, who demanded to know his offence.

Sergeant Yusuf was said to have shot to disperse the crowd as bullets hit the victim and one other youth, identified as Arfad, who was injured.

The new Commissioner of Police in the state, CP Afolabi Babatola, while mourning Abdullahi's demise on Friday, announced the arrest of Yusuf.

A short statement by the state Police Public Relations Officer, SP Suleiman Nguroje, explained that the police commissioner directed the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of the State Criminal Investigation Department to take over investigation.