

the victim on the said day.

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He said, "Most buildings children, some youths in the area

burnt with the likelihood of mayhem following.

speed while driving because of its attendant consequences.

Body of Ekiti school driver killed by kidnappers recovered,

Abiodun Nejo, Ado Ekiti

TEARS flowed freely from the eyes of family members of the driver of Apostolic Faith Group of Schools, Emure Ekiti, the late Mr Taiwo Olugbaye, who was kidnapped along with school pupils on January 29 on the Emure - Eporo Road as his body was recovered and eventually buried on Monday.

Following the discovery of

the dead body in the forest by farmers, the family, along with police and government officials, went to the forest to identify and recover the body on Sunday evening.

The kidnappers shot the driver dead in the forest a day before they released the kidnapped pupils and their minders, who spent six days in captivity.

Tearful eldest daughter of the



• Ekiti PPRO, Abutu

slain driver, Tosin, said that she recognised that the body was

her dad's with his Ankara cloth, pair of boxers, and silver ring on one of his fingers, adding, "When I saw the corpse, I knew the world was vanity upon vanity."

Tosin said, "I was in the market when I received a call on Saturday that my daddy's body had been found. The news was a shock. Immediately, I received the call, I left Ado Ekiti for Emure."

She added that the family consequently made necessary arrangements with the police and the Emure Local Government authorities to move to the forest on Sunday.

She said, "Immediately I saw the body, I knew it was that of my dad. The pair of boxers inside the Ankara cloth that he put on. When he loved a cloth, he would always wear it until the cloth faded.

"He had a silver ring on one of his fingers; the ring was there on him and the cloth. That was how we could find that it was our dad's dead body.

"I will use this opportunity to thank the state government, the Commissioner of Police, the Divisional Police Officer, and the Emure Local Government Chairman. I appreciate all Emure people for their roles."

Another daughter, Fatima,

buried

said the joy of the discovery and recovery of the dead body for burial was that "we can now say this is where our father is buried. I thank the police and the Emure community for not leaving us alone with the task of finding the dead remains of our dad. Now we can say this is where our dad was buried."

The late driver's twin sister, Kehinde Rasak-Olugbaye, lamented that "Taiwo's death

was devastating and saddening. He has been my consolation for the past six years when I lost my husband. He was always there for me and did not let me feel any loss.

"His killers dealt me a lifetime blow and injured me. We were six siblings: I'm now the only surviving one. Since he was killed, I have been lonely; no adviser again. There can be nobody like him."

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