

Gunmen snatch car, kill owner

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Gunmen on Saturday killed a 27-year-old man, Mohammed Rabi'u, in his car about 8:30p.m. after arriving from Abuja.

His friend, Jafar Ibrahim Ali, who was in the car at the time, said on arrival in Kaduna, they drove straight to one of Rabi'u's friends at Lugard Hall area but they were told that he had gone out.

Ali said that the late Rabi'u then asked for the friend's phone number because he had recently changed his phone and lost his contact.

According to him, while they were waiting to be given the number, a tricycle parked near them, three men alighted from it and made straight

to where they parked. The gunmen asked Rabi'u and his friend to hand over their phones.

He said: "Initially, we thought they were policemen because they were pointing guns at us but the next thing I heard was gunshot."

"The men kept firing as they opened the doors of the cars, pushing us out as they entered the car and drove away in it. All this happened in less than two minutes. As I struggled with them, they kept firing but somehow the bullets from the locally-made guns missed me but they shot my friend."

"It was when they left that we got a car from the house which took Rabi'u to the hospital but was confirmed dead about an hour later."