

Lady shot, chief mourner wounded during burial ceremony in Enugu community



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The people of Amanato Mburumbu community in Nkanu East Local Government Area of Enugu State were yesterday thrown into double mourning following the shooting to death of a lady and the wounding of the chief mourner during a burial ceremony.

The Enugu State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) Superintendent of Police Ebere Amaraizu, who confirmed the incident in a statement released to journalists, said that tragedy struck when a man later identified as one Daniel Chukwu of Amanato Mburumbu stormed the burial ceremony arena with his single barrel locally made gun and perhaps never knew it was already set for action.

The PPRO said that police learnt that as the burial ceremony heated up and as the suspect tried unslinging his gun, it allegedly discharged accidentally and struck one Ngozi Eze, about 40 years from Amanato Mburumbu, who died.

The chief mourner, identified as one Hawaya Nworiuzo was also injured, and was rushed to hospital for medical attention. The situation reportedly shocked sympathizers who scampered for their safety.

“Meanwhile the state command of the Nigeria Police force has commenced a full scale investigation into the incident just as suspect

is helping the operatives in their investigations. "Recovered from the suspect is the gun and the deceased has been deposited in a nearby mortuary for autopsy," he said.