

...kill businessman a week to wedding in Ebonyi

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Gunmen have killed an Abakaliki-based businessman, Issac Nnaemeka Chukwu, a week to his wedding.

Chukwu, who is popularly known as Ochudo, hailed from Ikwo Local Government Area of the state, deals on provisions. He was killed on Monday night by suspected assassins in Abakaliki, Ebonyi State. He had concluded arrangement for his wedding to his fiancé, Favour Chioma who was with him when the gunmen attacked and killed him. A relative who quoted the wife said that Chukwu was shot at night after closing one of his shops as he made to enter his car.

"He has a shop at International Market where he deals on provision goods. He owns another joint at Chukwuma Ofeke Street, Ame-

ke Aba in the metropolis.

"The incident according to the fiancé happened at about 9pm when they had closed shop and about to enter their vehicle.

"Some boys accosted them, first shot into the air, then ordered the guy to lie down and then shot him 3 times, collected the wife phone and left," the source said.

The pre-wedding pictures with the fiancé have gone viral on social media following his death.

Also, the wedding invitation shows that the Traditional Wedding was to take place on April 21 at his Fiancé's Father's compound in Amaiyima Ekpelu, in Ikwo Local Government. The White Wedding was slated to be held on April 23 at Pastoral Centre, Mile 50 Abakaliki with reception at International Conference Centre (ICC) Abakaliki.

The State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Loveth Odah confirmed the incident.