

# Suspected Assassins Kill Varsity Security Guard in Ekiti

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Victor Ogunje in Ado Ekiti

In what looked like a mystery, a security guard working with the Federal University, Oye-Ekiti (FOUYE), Ekiti State, Mr. Matthew Malik, was reportedly killed by unknown gunmen last Friday.

The deceased, 62, according to a family source, was slain in his farm by suspected gunmen last Friday in Oye-Ekiti, Oye Local Government Area of the state.

Narrating the scenario to journalists in Ado Ekiti yesterday, the deceased's son, John Malik, said his father was allegedly killed over a misunderstanding he had with an unnamed person as regards the farm.

He noted that his father went to the farm in the morning last Friday but never returned to resume his shift at the university.

According to him, "My dad is a security man in FUOYE, and on that day, he was scheduled to go to work in the afternoon but decided to visit his farm in the morning. It was his

people in the university that called us that he was yet to resume at his duty post. Immediately, we commenced a search to the farm where we met him dead.

"There was this man he had issues with as regards the farm, and we are suspecting he might have masterminded the killing of our father."

Malik son demanded justice from the security agencies by arresting and prosecuting the perpetrators, adding that the family would not allowed the case to be swept under the carpet.

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), ASP Sunday Abutu, confirmed the killing, saying the command had commenced investigation to unravel the killers.

"Yes I can confirm that the man was attack in his farm few days ago, and we have started investigation into the unfortunate act. We will ensure the perpetrators are arrested and prosecuted in accordance with the law so as to serve as deterrence to others planning such dastardly act," Abutu said.

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