

J'aime

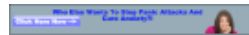
223948 « J'aime ». [Inscription](#) pour voir ce qu'aiment vos amis.

Fri 03 Feb

Follow @vanguardngrnews

65.5K followers

Vanguard


[About Us](#) | [Advertise With Us](#)
[Home](#) | [News](#) | [Business](#) | [Technology](#) | [Politics](#) | [Sport](#) | [Entertainment](#) | [Style](#) | [Viewpoint](#)  
[Editorial](#) | [Forum](#) | [Jobs](#) | [Q&A](#)


Ojukwu: Ijele Ndigbo (1933 - 2011)

*What is the place of Odumegwu Ojukwu in Nigeria's History?*

Robbers cart N96m at Lagos Airport



## News

[Fleeing family of six die in auto crash](#)
[Robbers cart N96m at Lagos Airport](#)
[Subsidy probe : Reps threaten oil firms' CEOs over non-appearance](#)
[Boko Haram attacks threaten to peace, says ACF](#)
[Bayelsa community threatens Shell operation](#)
[Edo Attorney General gets bail](#)
[FUPRE](#)

# Fleeing family of six die in auto crash

on FEBRUARY 3, 2012 · in NEWS

Email

Recommend

44

Tweet

11

0

Six persons including the head of a family, his wife, three children and their house-maid died in an auto accident while fleeing from their residence in Damaturu, the Yobe State capital over Boko Haram's attacks.

The victims identified as members of Steven Offia's family from Awhum in Udi Local Council, Enugu State were reportedly crushed to death by a trailer while returning to their home town on Tuesday to escape the bloody attacks by the Islamic sect.

The private car driven by the deceased Offia (the family head) was said to have collided with a trailer coming from the opposite direction at Otukpa in Benue State.

## Get More Customers Easily



If you want more customers easily and affordably, you can't do better than advertising on this website via Bloopue. Starts from N1000.  
<http://bloopue.com>

Advertise here with [Bloopue](#)
[People](#)  
[Recent](#)  
[Popular](#)

## Recent Comments



ALABADE NIGERIA

Boko Haram kingpin Qaqa, buckles · 30 minutes ago

community on [DISQUS](#)

VanguardNews on

Add to circles



+261

Offia, who was a panel beater and spare parts dealer in Yobe State, his wife Nneka, four children – three boys and one girl as well as their house maid were involved in the fatal auto crash.

However, only the second son of the family identified as Chibuzor survived the crash but he was said to be on the danger list at a hospital in Otukpa.

A relation of the deceased family members, Mr. Ben Offia, who confirmed the incident in a chat with Vanguard yesterday, said his deceased brother decided to move members of his family back home following the continued killing of Igbo living in the state by Boko Haram.

According to him, Stephen and his immediate family members left their Damaturu residence on Monday and stopped over at Abuja from where they continued their journey to the East on Tuesday.

"We were shocked to hear from the police on Wednesday that our brother and his family members perished in an accident that occurred within Otukpa in Benue State while fleeing the North on account of the violent attacks by Boko Haran," he told Vanguard on telephone yesterday.

He said that some of their relations were sent to Otukpa to bring back the six corpses for burial at their home in Awhum Wednesday but they were yet to meet police requirement by press time yesterday.

"Our family has been thrown into deep

students  
protest over  
non-accreditation  
of degree  
courses



**Here Is The  
Self Defense  
System  
That's Even  
More  
Powerful  
Than  
Pressure  
Points!**

[Click Here  
Now To  
Find Out  
The Full Details!](#)



Editor's Week In



Find more photos on [Vanguard Online Community](#)



mourning but we are particularly worried that their death was caused by Boko Haram insurgency. They were running away from the troubled area only to meet their untimely death close to their home state. "This is very sad and we are calling on the government to do something about this because the journey that brought about this calamity was induced by the trouble in the North," Offia said

Comments are moderated. Please keep them clean and brief.

---

Showing 0  
comments

Sort by newest first ▾

[M Subscribe by email](#) [S RSS](#)

Add New Comment

[Login](#)



Type your comment here.

blog comments powered by [DISQUS](#)>