

In Loving Memory
of
Olukayode Otubusen

Sunrise
September 20, 1934

Sunset
June 19, 2017



Friday, August 18, 2017 - 12:00 Noon

COTTON FUNERAL SERVICE
1025 Bergen Street • Newark, New Jersey
Emory Lee, Organist

Order of Service

Processional

Selection

Scripture Reading

Old Testament

New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

Selection

Remarks

(Two minutes each please)

Acknowledgements

Obituary

Selection

Eulogy

Recessional

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery

Hillside, New Jersey

BIOGRAPHY OF PA OLUKAYODE OLATUNJI OTUBUSEN

PA OLUKAYODE OLATUNJI OTUBUSEN was born on Thursday, 20th September, 1934 at DADDY ISRAEL OTUBUSEN'S COMPOUND, 2/3 AGADAJA STREET, ITA-AFIN, IJEBU-ODE. His father was Paps Jonathan Tanimowo Otubusen (1892-1964) popularly know as (Papa Teacher J.T.) His mother was MADAM SABAINAH OKUNEYE OTUBUSEN (1906-1995) Nee OMOLEWU OF OKELAMUREN, OGBO-IJEBU, a petty trader. His grandfather was DADDY ISREAL OTUBUSEN of blessed memory (1845-1935). He was a very renowned IFA HERBALIST medical personality in Ijebu-Ode who later denounced his profitable and dignified profession on the inception of Christianity in Ijebu land in 1892 and became one of the pioneering Christians.

Pa Olukayode Otubusen started his elementary education in 1942 at that famous and popular institution – Saint Saviour's Primary School, Italuope, Ijebu-Ode. Having successfully completed his elementary education at ALL SAINTS SCHOOL, OWODE, ABEOKUTA in 1949, he gained admission into OLU-IWA COLLEGE (now ADEOLA ODUTOLA Comprehensive Secondary school) in 1950. He finished his secondary education in 1955 and joined the Federal Ministry of Communication – NIPOST in March 19th, 1956 as a Postal Officer. He served in many places like Lagos, Lokoja, Idah, Agenebode, Benin, Enugu, Kano, Jos, Oshogbo, Ile-Ife, Ogbomsho, Ilesha, Ijebu-Ode and Abeokuta. He had a glorious and flying records in the Postal Industry despite the fact that promotions were not coming forth in the Federal Establishments. He rose through the ranks to the post of Head Postmaster Grade Two before retirement in 1991 after serving the Federal Government for 35 fulfilling years.

In January 1963, he was transferred from the North to Ijebu-Ode his home town. This transfer gave him an ample opportunity to meet with his life partner. He married Miss Esther Taiwo Adetoun Ajayi of 11, Isoku Street, Moslem School Road, Ijebu-Ode on the 29th July, 1958. The marriage was blessed with five children.

HIS WORK IN THE VINEYARD AND IN THE COMMUNITY

The most rewarding part of his life was that, he spent his life and resources in serving God and humanity.

1. As an active church leader, he was honoured with the title of the Head of Yoruba Section at Saint Andrew's Anglican Church, Idah in Igala Division of Kogi State (1957-1963). He was a Lay-Reader.
2. He was a member and later the Assistant Secretary of Anglican Youth Fellowship at ALL SAINTS Church, Oshogbo (1968-1977).
3. He was the Secretary, Men & Women's League at the Cathedral Church of Our Saviour, Itaolowajoda, Ijasi, Ijebu-Ode (1996-1998) and later the Financial Secretary of the league (1998-).
4. He was the Secretary of the Postal Workers Union, Oshogbo branch (1969-1975). During his tenure, he traveled to many places to hold union conferences.
5. His outstanding qualities in Community Development projects made him to become the Chairman of AJEGUNLE-IJADA-KAJOLA Community Development Association (1992-2004).
6. He was one of the foundation members of Social Democratic Party (SDP), Peoples Progress Party (PPP), Democratic Party of Nigeria (DPN) and AD/AC, Action Congress of Nigeria and All Progressives Congress in Imepe/Ijada Ward 5 in Ijebu-Ode Local Government Area of Ogun State.

He lived an exemplary life and he had the unique gift of relating very well with different people of different age and tribe. His kindness, generosity and selflessness endeared him to many people. With utmost love, he touched the life of everyone that crossed his way because he took delight in bringing happiness into the lives of others. He loved reading and writing. He took his last breath on June 19th 2017 at the ripe age of 83. We thank God for His Mercies on our dear Papa. Our good Papa, we miss your warm presence but the legacy you left behind will forever remain fresh in our memories. May the Almighty God grant you eternal rest, Amen.

Psalm 23

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path of righteousness for His name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies. Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Acknowledgement

Perhaps you sent a lovely card or sat quietly in a chair.

Perhaps you sent a floral piece If so, we saw it there.

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as any friend could say.

Perhaps you were not there at all just thought of us on that day.

Whatever you did to console our hearts, We Thank You, Whatever the part.

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