



Adejoke Osunkoya

October 20, 1935 - May 21, 2021

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Birth: Mrs. Comfort Adejoke Osunkoya nee Ogunbote, was born in Lagos on the 20th of October, 1935, to Mr. and Mrs. Ogunbote of OKelamurem, in Ijebu. She was an only child, who sadly lost both parents in close succession, and was orphaned before school age. She had to be taken to Ijebu to live with her grandparents, in Ijebu-Ogbo.

Education: Her earliest education was at Ijebu-Ogbo, within two years of which she became gravely ill and had to drop out of school. Fortunately, her auntie, Mrs. Araba, visited from Lagos and saw her ailing state, and decided to take her back to Lagos to nurse her back to good health.

Shortly after that, one of her father's good friends from the same town (Oke Lamuren) went home and appealed to her grandparents to allow him look after her in Lagos. He was given consent by her grandparents to do so. On her return to Lagos, she was enrolled at Christ Church Cathedral School, where she completed her primary education. She immediately enrolled in a four-year sewing institute at Kakawa, Lagos, and graduated as a seamstress. She setup her own thriving sewing business, in 1957.

Career: Adejoke had a very successful career for decades, sewing school uniforms & fashionable clothing to those who requested these services from her!

Marital Life: Adejoke met Mr. Abiodun Olukayode Osunkoya, the love of her life, in 1958. They got married on her birthday, the 20th of October, 1960. They were married for 61 years & their marriage was blessed with children & multiple grandchildren. Adejoke was an enigma; extremely intelligent and a hard worker. She loved and was very devoted to taking good care of her children, grandchildren and others who required her maternal care. Earlier on in her marriage, at the formative years, she sometimes had to do it alone, mainly because her husband was a civil servant who was routinely transferred out of Lagos.

Post Career: In 1982, Adejoke changed her career from seamstress to trading, traveling abroad to purchase material to sell at home in Lagos, Nigeria. She was well traveled & always well groomed. A true fashionista, she knew her fashion & what was in season to sell. She did this until 1986, when she added on distributorship. She was a registered Dicon salt distributor, until her retirement in 2000.

Christian Life: Adejoke was a member of Anglican Youth fellowship at St. Andrew Church in Oke Popo, Lagos, a member of the sidesmen and lady collector of the church. Earlier in her married life, they started attending St. Paul's Breadfruit and joined the torch bearer society of the church. She remained active in the church society until her death.

Adejoke served her God humbly and diligently. She is survived by her husband, children, and grandchildren. As a remarkable gem and true servant of Almighty God, she will be thoroughly missed.

May her soul rest in most perfect peace.

Amen

Previous Events

Live Stream Broadcast on Facebook

JUN 11. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Garden Accent Stone - *"Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 13, 2021 at 12:46 PM



“ I remember mommy making clothes for me and my sister while visiting in Lagos years back. She opened her home to us. Was very delighted I finally made the journey to visit my Father (her brother) after finally making the connection. Nice chatting with her and big daddy. An amazing woman. She will be missed dearly.

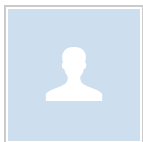
Terrance Adetokunbo Russell - June 11, 2021 at 06:32 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.



June 11, 2021 at 08:59 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.



June 10, 2021 at 09:36 PM



“ *Red Poinsettia Saddle (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 10, 2021 at 01:56 PM



“ *Starbucks Coffee Condolences was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 09, 2021 at 04:27 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 07, 2021 at 08:53 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 06, 2021 at 02:31 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Adejoke Osunkoya.*



June 05, 2021 at 11:04 PM



“ *Mama would be remembered for her care and love to all that came in contact with her.
She's so pleasant, adieu grandma!*

Opeoluwa Orekoya - June 01, 2021 at 06:50 PM



No matter how old our loved one gets, we still miss them soo much! This is difficult because she was our family matriarch! A true force of nature! Passionate in everything and loved her family deeply. Family was her love, her life, her focus and her identity. She really loved my husband and kids. Really honored and proud she spent most of her retired life in our home! It is comforting to have known such grace. May Almighty God forgive all her sins & May she rest in most perfect peace, Amen

Miss and love you mommy 🙏❤️

Dr Taiwo Osunkoya (Yele)

Taiwo Osunkoya - June 07, 2021 at 04:51 AM



“ *To our Dear Mum, you've lived a very fulfilled life despite a very humble beginning. I looked on in awe of what you achieved with your children and family as a whole. For someone who lost her family at a very tender age , your life is a testament to how you cherish the joy of family. We will always hold you dear in our hearts . Adios mother until we meet again . Yele (son) .*

Yele - June 01, 2021 at 12:17 PM

SB

I would like to testify to mama's industrious acts and her love for her children. She happened to tell me some of her personal struggles, especially in ensuring all her children are successful in life. The fact that all her children are doing well today is a testament to her sacrifice for them. I was amazed at her resourcefulness and bravery when she made a trip down to US in her sixties just to help her brother in law get some urgently needed items for his business. I am happy to know that she enjoyed the fruit of her labor to a large extent. May her soul Rest In Peace.

My heartfelt condolences to the entire Osunkoya family.

Soji Bankole

Soji Bankole - June 02, 2021 at 09:48 AM

SA

Here is a poem translated from Punjabi on mom. It's amazing how love of a mother is same all over the world.

Mom

Mom, unforgettable is the the cool of the shade which your loving hands would provide! Unforgettable is the sight of your arms which would try to catch me when I used to run away from punishment for my mischief. I'll not be able to forget it even if I want to.

I remember with fondness the choori soaked with your affection which you would make for me. Sweeter than the jaggery was the lullaby that you sang to me. You won't catch me knowingly for the theft of sweets.

Unforgettable is the feeling of the the cool of the shade which your loving hands would provide! Unforgettable is the sight of your arms which would try to catch me when I used to run away from punishment for my mischief. I'll not be able to forget it even if I want to.

It was you who taught me devotion to God. It was you who put the schoolbag full of books on my back.

You always put me before your restfulness , my mom.(x2)

I again want to sleep on your lap. I really want to hold you firmly to my heart. I'll not be able to forget you even if I want to, my mom ..

Thanks to your blessings and your prayers and your dedication I have managed to make my way in life. You even forgot God and looked to my needs.

You watched over my sleep. What did you gain by starving yourself? I was not near you when you needed me the most.

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Mom, I really want to drink your tears. I really want to live your dreams. I'll not be able to forget it even if I want to.

Mom.....

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O mom.....

Mom, unforgettable is the cool of the shade which your loving hands would provide.

sandeep - June 08, 2021 at 09:18 PM

HM

May mama's gentle soul Rest In Peace, God almighty will comfort your family and especially to papa, sorry for the loss of your loving wife and remain blessed always.

Helen Madukwe - June 09, 2021 at 04:21 AM