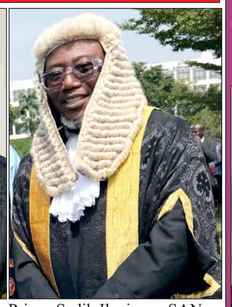
NEW "SAN" FROM EDO NORTH



Samuel Obende SAN
Ugbogbo-Igarra in Akoko-Edo LGA



Prince Sadik Ilegieuno SAN
Iyiku-Uzairue in Etsako West LGA

Change of Guard in Uwanno Kingdom as Okumagbe Elevate Omiogbemi as "Iyase" appoint Unokhua as new "Ezomo"



SHC Kess Omiogbemi
The Iyatse of Uwanno Kingdom



Brig. General Thomas Unokhua (rtd)
The Ezomo of Uwanno Kingdom

INTERMENT OF CHIEF DAN ORBIH



Family members of late PDP Chieftain, Chief Dan Osi Orbih during his interment at Ogbona in Avhianwu Clan in Etsako Central LGA recently

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Farewell to a Brother of all Times

My dearest Prince Dr. Sadiq B. Ikharo,

Where do I even start?
We grew up together from small boys, sharing everything
To men who left home at separate times to chase life in America
Different flights, different states in the US
But one brotherhood that never broke for almost 70 years,

We were part of each other from the very beginning.
Spanning seven-decade memories from childhood in Auchi
To finding our feet in the US
With frequent calls across states to check on each other
Laughing about home, holding Ikharo Royal Family together –
Even with an ocean between us.

You were steadfast, kind-hearted, generous and committed
To both family and community good.
You lived a full life deserving of praise and worthy of emulation.
It is painful that you are gone, leaving no possibility
Of ever seeing nor hearing physically
Except to live with our precious memories of you.

Thank you for the childhood
Thank you for the journey to America.
Thank you for 70 years of standing by each other.
Thank you for being a truly dependable and remarkable brother.

May Allah accept your return and grant you rest in His bosom
Until we meet to part no more.

Signed:
Prince Momoh-Jimoh and Dr (Mrs) Elizabeth Anne Ikharo and Children (Ohio, USA)

TRIBUTE

Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo: The Silent Philanthropist Whose Legacy Transcends Borders

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In the heart of Auchi Sacred Kingdom, the name Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo evokes a reflection on philanthropy, human advancement and the enduring value of service to society.

Remembered as a silent philanthropist, Dr. Ikharo represents the ideal of a person whose significance extends beyond personal accomplishments to the broader responsibility of contributing to the well-being of others. His remembrance provides an opportunity to reflect on the meaning of generosity, the importance of community and the kind of legacy that continues to inspire long after a person's departure.

In a world where success is often measured by wealth, professional achievements and public recognition, the story of a silent philanthropist offers a different perspective. It reminds us that greatness does not always announce itself and that some of the most meaningful contributions to society occur away from the spotlight.

The true value of generosity lies not in the applause it attracts but in the difference it makes in people's lives.

For Auchi Sacred Kingdom, a community deeply rooted in heritage, kinship and shared identity, the remembrance of Dr. Ikharo offers an opportunity to reflect on the responsibility individuals bear towards their fellow human beings.

A community's greatness is not determined solely by its institutions, leadership or historical achievements. It is also reflected in the willingness of its people to support one another, extend kindness and contribute to the collective good.

Philanthropy, in its deepest sense, goes beyond the distribution of money or material possessions. It is an expression of humanity, a recognition that people face different challenges and that a helping hand can make a meaningful difference when it matters most. Sometimes, assistance comes at a moment when hope is fading, opportunities appear distant or circumstances become overwhelming. In such moments, an act of generosity can restore confidence, relieve hardship and create possibilities that might otherwise remain out of reach.

The significance of a silent philanthropist lies partly in the private nature of such generosity. Not every good deed is documented, announced or celebrated publicly. Some acts of kindness are known only to the giver and the recipient, while their consequences may remain significant for years. A family that receives support during a difficult period, a young person encouraged to pursue an opportunity or an individual helped through a challenging moment may carry that experience for a lifetime.

Such contributions remind us that the impact of philanthropy cannot always be measured in figures or captured in public records. Sometimes, its strongest evidence is found in the quiet gratitude of those whose burdens have been eased and whose circumstances have improved. The absence of publicity does not diminish the value of generosity; rather, it reinforces the understanding that genuine kindness does not always require an audience.

The remembrance of Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo also invites a broader reflection on the relationship between personal success and social responsibility. Whatever achievements individuals record in their lifetime, their significance becomes greater when their influence contributes positively to the lives of others. The resources, knowledge, relationships and opportunities acquired through personal advancement can become instruments for improving society when guided by compassion and a sense of responsibility.

For the people of Auchi Sacred Kingdom, the preservation of such values is particularly important. Communities do not thrive through heritage alone. They also depend on the values passed from one generation to another, including generosity, mutual support, respect and concern for human dignity. The remembrance of individuals associated with philanthropy provides an opportunity to reinforce these principles and encourage others to make meaningful contributions to their communities.

Beyond Auchi, the idea of a legacy that transcends borders speaks to the universal nature of human kindness. The influence of an individual is not necessarily confined to a place of birth, residence or professional engagement. Relationships, personal encounters and acts of generosity can create connections across geographical boundaries, allowing the values associated with a person's life to inspire people in different communities and countries.

A legacy that transcends borders is therefore about more than physical distance. It is about the enduring relevance of the principles a person represents. Compassion has no geographical boundaries, and the desire to improve the lives of others is a universal human value. When generosity encourages others to support their fellow human beings, its influence can travel far beyond the original act of giving.

The remembrance of Dr. Ikharo also carries a valuable message for younger generations. In a society increasingly preoccupied with material possessions, professional titles and public visibility, there is a need to reconsider how success is defined. Academic qualifications, career advancement, business accomplishments and social standing are important milestones, but their lasting significance is strengthened when accompanied by empathy and a willingness to contribute to the common good.

True greatness is not simply about how far a person rises but also about the good that person does along the way. It is reflected in the ability to recognise the needs of others, offer encouragement and use available opportunities to make a positive difference. Not everyone possesses the same financial resources, but everyone has the capacity to demonstrate kindness, provide support and contribute to the welfare of others in meaningful ways.

The passing of Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo is therefore an occasion for remembrance and reflection. For family members, friends and associates, his memory carries personal significance. For the wider community, it offers an opportunity to consider how the ideals of philanthropy and service can continue to inspire positive action. A tribute becomes more meaningful when the values it celebrates are reflected in the conduct of those who remain.

Keeping a legacy alive requires more than preserving a name. It requires sustaining the principles that make the memory of a person worthy of continued reflection. Supporting people in need, encouraging young people, promoting educational opportunities and strengthening community relationships are among the ways the spirit of generosity can be carried forward. These efforts need not be accompanied by grand announcements to make a lasting difference.

Ultimately, the importance of a person's life cannot be reduced to titles, possessions or public acclaim. These may form part of an individual's history, but the deeper measure of a legacy lies in the values it represents and the positive influence it leaves behind. The most enduring contributions are often those that continue to inspire others long after the person responsible for them has departed.

Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo's remembrance offers an opportunity to celebrate the ideals of philanthropy, recognise the importance of community within Auchi Sacred Kingdom and appreciate the universal values that connect humanity across borders. His story, as remembered through the image of a silent philanthropist, reinforces the belief that a meaningful life is measured not only by personal accomplishments but also by the good that remains in the lives of others.

Wealth may change hands, positions may be occupied by others and public attention may eventually move elsewhere. Yet kindness can endure in the hearts of those who experience it. It can inspire gratitude, encourage similar acts of generosity and become a lesson passed from one generation to another.

Perhaps this is the enduring message of the silent philanthropist: not every good deed needs an audience, not every contribution requires applause and not every meaningful life needs to announce its greatness.

Sometimes, the most powerful testimony to a person's life is found in the quiet gratitude of those whose lives were touched. Sometimes, the greatest legacy is not what a person leaves behind in material terms but the compassion, hope and inspiration that continue to live in the hearts of others.

As Auchi Sacred Kingdom and those beyond its borders remember Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo, may his memory encourage a renewed commitment to generosity, strengthen the bonds of humanity and inspire present and future generations to make service to others an enduring part of their lives.

For in the final analysis, a person may depart this world, but the good associated with that life can continue to speak across generations and beyond borders.Late Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo: The Silent Philanthropist Whose Legacy Transcends Borders

BIOGRAPHY

Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo (1958-2026)

Dr. Sadiq Bello Ikharo was born at Auchi (Royal Family) on December 28, 1958 to Mallarm Alufa Bello Ikharo and Hajia Sefia Ikharo. DrIkharo has been an educator all his life having taught at Uralo Primary School Ireackhor (Estakor Central) and Ikpomaza High School in Okpella (Estakor East) in Edo State of Nigeria before proceeding to the United States of America.

In pursuant to academic excellence, he obtained a baccalaureate degree in Business Administration (with honors) from Central State University in Ohao in 1963, an MBA In Finance and Accounting from Morgan State University in Baltimore Maryland by 1984 and 1987 respectively. By 2006, he bagged a PH.D.

from University of California and Golden Gate University in San Francisco, California in Business Administration with emphasis in Quantitative Business Analysis.

Over the last 20 years Professor Ikharo has taught Business Management and Leadership in Management at Argosy University at MBA and doctorial level in the San Francisco Bay Area of California. He has managed IBM Computer Center in San Francisco in the 1990s. He spent almost 10 years in revamping Oakland Unified school District as the General Manager.

Today, he serves as the Vice Chancellor for Peralta Community College District since 2004. Among the higher academic institutions being managed are: Laney College in Oakland CA, Berkley City College, Berkley CA, College of Alameda, in Alameda and Merritt College in Oakland, California with a student head count of 40,000 and 2000 faculty, staff and administrators.

Dr. Ikharo has thus become the first Nigerian to lead a public higher educational academic institution in the United States. He is a member of many national, state and international academic professional organizations. Dr. Ikharo, is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of IRAAS Corporation, USA and a provider of labor.

Dr. Ikharo is a community builder, philanthropist and president of Auchi Association of America and Afenmai United of California respectively. He is happily married to Queen Aminat Ikharo with three sons - Abdu Azziz, Arrashid and Ishaq Ikharo.

Heartfelt Condolences

The Giwah family in Utsogun in Auchi Sacred Kingdom in Etsako West LGA in Edo State mourn with the entire Ikharo family at home and abroad on the passage of their son, father, Brother and Uncle

Dr. Sadiq .B. Ikharo

(1958 - 2026)



Loosing someone so dear as our big brother is never easy and words cant truly erase the pain. We pray Almighty Allah to give the family and the loved ones the fortitude to bear the irreplaceable great loss. May Almighty Allah grant him Aljannah Firdaus. Ameen

Chief Dauda .M. Giwah *(Levin)*
The Osimua of Auchi Sacred Kingdom
for The Giwa family of Utsogun, Auchi Sacred Kingdom

Our Condolences

The Lekki-Elamah family of Utsogun in Auchi Sacred Kingdom extend our condolences to the Ikharo family on the transition to Aljannah of our brother, Uncle and Cousin

Prince (Dr) Sadiq .B
IKHARO
1958 - 2026

68 Years



"Dr. Sadiq" sojourn on earth has been very impactful to humanity as we will always cherish your kindness and love to all. Also, to those left behind, be consoled with this great loss to all and surely, we will miss him greatly. May Almighty Allah grant him Aljannah Firdaus

Signed
Dr. Mohammed Mustafa Lecky
The Galadima of Auchi Sacred Kingdom
for Lekki-Elamah family

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