



Okezie Okpara

September 1, 1953 - January 29, 2022

Chief Okezie Teddy Okpara was born on the 1st of September 1953 to Late Mazi Okpara Asonye and Mrs Mercy Ekendu Okpara in Umuegwu Okpuala, Afugiri, Umuahia, Abia State. He was the third son of De Okpara and first son from his mother.

Chief Okezie attended Afugiri Central School and Williams Memorial Secondary School, Afugiri. After his high school, He worked with Mrs Osoagbaka as an administrative assistant at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. He later moved to Lagos and joined African Petroleum (AP) also as an administrative staff. In 1981, Okezie was sent to the United States to study by his eldest brother Dr M.I Okpara. He acquired his Bachelor degree from Huston-Tillotson University, Austin, Texas and Master degree in Social work from Prairie View A & M University Texas. He worked for the State of Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene as Program Coordinator III. He also worked in that capacity at Spring Grove Hospital Center, Catonsville MD.

Chief Okezie was married to Nora Okoro and the union was blessed with two daughters. Michelle Chisara Okpara, and Nicole Chizoba Okpara. He was also survived with other relatives.

Chief Okezie was active in community service. He contributed to the social

interventions by Umuegwu Okpuala Union in diaspora towards his home community and Church. He was also a member, and the provost of Umuahia Family Association in Baltimore, Maryland.

Chief Okezie passed on to the Lord after a brief illness on the 28th of January 2022. The entire Umuahia family and friends will miss you dearly but God knows best. May your gentle soul rest in peace with the Lord. Amen

Previous Events

Wake

MAR 12. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

March Funeral Home - West
4300 Wabash Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21215

Funeral Service

MAR 12. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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March Funeral Homes - March 10, 2022 at 10:31 AM



“ Okezie Okpara

October 13, 2022 at 08:33 AM



“ 12 files added to the tribute wall



Obidike R AKAHARA MD - March 12, 2022 at 12:16 AM

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“ -.... Happy new year to you and to all my Umuegwu Indigenes in this forum. This very Coronation took place yesterday Tuesday Jan. 4th 2022. It's about our cultural heritage, civilization and education. It happened that we were present and Witnessed this very monumental cultural / educational experiences. Very soon Egwukwu autonomous community shall be going through such rituals and cultural experiences. Chief. Ikemba1 and myself Chief Odozi Obodo1 present at this very occasion shall definitely have a very positive influence in our EGWUKWU AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITY.

Thank you, It's very imperative that we all shall be very positive in our writing/posting articles that can help us move into the new year with a very positive new spirit and attitude. IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO CARRY or READ THE BIBLE, WE MUST PRACTICE WHAT WE PREACH.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO SLL MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS.

from,

Chief. Okezie Okpara.

Odozi Obodo1



Obidike R AKAHARA MD - March 12, 2022 at 12:12 AM

“.....this is one of the ways we have been recommending to the Chairman and the administrators. At least every quarter We should be holding at least a 1hr Zoom meetings. The entire members have to agree on a format, dates, time and it should not be a sudden arrangements of a schedule so that everyone would be informed of time and carried along, particularly moving into a new year, new spirits. It will be a good idea to have Zoom meetings once in a while.

Again, I must confess that the spirit of the almighty God was in total control of our entire group throughout the period we set to complete our electricity transformer project and the concrete electric poles. It was like the holy spirit guided us to make sure this project was completed before the death of our iconic women leader, the matriarch of the entire IGBO FAMILIES, the first lady of the then Eastern region of nigeria, the late Chief. Mrs Adanma Enyidiya Okpara. May peace loving soul rest in perfect peace in heaven, AMEN.

Presently, the entire Umuegwu Okpuala community are enjoying a consistent electricity power supply.

Throughout the entire weekend and to this very moment I'm writing and posting this article, early Saturday Christmas morning, we are enjoying steady electricity supply to the entire Umuegwu Okpuala community.

Our people at homeland are very happy, proud and appreciative of what the Umuegwu Okpuala Indigenes in this platform have done and what we are capable of doing whenever we are UNITED by spirits of the almighty God.

Our prayers, is, may the almighty God continues to bless and enrich every members of Umuegwu Okpuala Indigenes in this forum. We pray that the blood of Jesus Christ to continues to cover you and your families when going out and in returning home, IJN, Amen.
from,

Your brother,
Chief. Okezie Okpara.

"Odozi Obodo"





One of CHIEF OKEZIE's last advice to our People(Abridged for context, focus and clarity)

Obidike R AKAHARA MD - March 12, 2022 at 12:03 AM

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Obidike R AKAHARA MD - March 11, 2022 at 11:57 PM

“ 1. Umuahia Family Association | Baltimore, Maryland

It is with an unprecedented shock, surprise, and agony that I write this brief tribute to our brother, Chief Okezie Okpara. It is with total submission to the will of God in his unquestionable infinite wisdom, that we accept the unthinkable as we lean on his everlasting love to attempt to explain this sudden loss of a prominent member of the Umuahia Family Association, a Maryland registered not-for-profit association, with the objective of fostering harmonious relationships among its members, and committed to the development of communities within and outside the United States.

Chief Okezie Okpara's contributions to this organization is far ranging and wide reaching. He served in numerous capacities and was a tireless warrior for the health and welfare of the members of this association. As a member of the first ever fundraising committee, he single-handedly sought out contributions from the political elite of Baltimore City in the name of late Congressman Elijah Cummings. His tireless efforts contributed immensely to the success of the association's fund-raising efforts that year. In addition, Chief Okezie Okpara served as an executive member of the current cabinet elected to office in February of 2018 as our provost. He served in that capacity until his untimely passing this year.

On behalf of the members of Umuahia Family Association, Baltimore Chapter, Maryland Branch USA, I say rest in peace my friend and brother. We love you, but our almighty and everlasting God loves you more and has called you home to be in his presence. You have left an indelible mark and vacuum in our hearts that cannot be easily filled or

*erased. We will forever cherish
your life and dedication to UFA.*

Rest in Heaven. You are in God's Paradise now.

Max Alukwu

President, Umuahia Family Association, Baltimore, Maryland.

Obidike R AKAHARA MD - March 11, 2022 at 11:51 PM



“ *We the March Family and Staff wish to extend our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Our prayers go out to you and your family in your time of loss. We know and understand that you have received many expressions of love and we will continue to lift you up in prayer. May the memories you cherish of brighter and happier days help to ease your sorrow and comfort you always.*

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