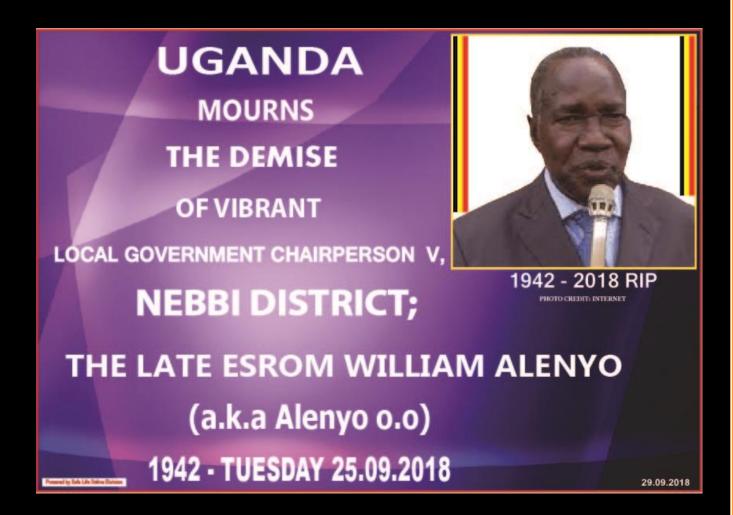
VISIONARY UGANDAN POLITICIAN LAID TO REST IN PAKWACH DISTRICT — UGANDA.

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Mzee Esrom William Alenyo, the Nebbi District Local Council 5 Chairperson was on Saturday, 29 September, 2018 laid to rest at his ancestral home (Pandora) in Pakwach District, Uganda – Africa.

Mzee Alenyo, passed on Monday 25/09/2018, at the National Referral Hospital Mulago in Kampala City, where he had been admitted after a motor accident which reportedly occurred in Pakwach District.

A special council session was convened for members to pay their last respect on Friday 28 September, 2018.

Alenyo, a trained journalist who worked with Radio Uganda (now UBC) for about four decades, transformed his popularity into a political capital to serve the people of Nebbi District and Uganda as man of action and hope for the poorest. The burial procession was led by Bishop Alphonse Wathokudi of Nebbi Diocese and a host of other Reverends.

"I am happy to lead a procession to take Alenyo to his final place of rest, he died a believer" said Bishop Alphonse. Additionally, "you might be very powerful and holding a powerful office, but you are living a life without God, you are not different from other animals"

The Bishop urged mourners not to only show love to people when they are dead. "Let's change our attitude because we seem to care more about dead bodies. Show love to people when they are still alive" he remarked.

The Bishop also decried the rising number of people resorting to witch craft as a means of achieving their goals in life. Warning that such people will pay dearly on the judgment day.

Rt. Rev. Santus Lino Wanok, the Bishop for Nebbi Catholic Diocese who joined midway the service, said "Alenyo was a dedicated leader who served the people of Nebbi District with all his energy".

Rt. Rev. Santus Lino Wanok, urged mourners to emulate Alenyo and embrace unity, peace for the development of Greater Nebbi.

Hon. Jennifer Namuyango, the State Minister for Local Government represented the government. Namuyango, notes that Alenyo was an exceptional leader (Chairperson) who had forged unity in the District. "We are in pain and grieving just hardly a year we lost the Local Council 5 Chairperson of Tororo District. It is sad "remarks, Minister Namuyango.

Connell Tom Butime, the Minister of Local Government in a message to the mourners read by State Minister (Namuyango) said "we have lost Alenyo at the time his wisdom was needed most".

Mr. Steen Omito, the Local Council 5 Chairperson Pakwach District called on the government to look into the plight and welfare of the LC5 Chairperson(s). "I regret to note that LC5 Chairperson becomes less important upon demise that even the burial management is performed at the good will of people" explains Mr. Steen Omito.

In attendance was Mr. Martin Ojara, the Chairperson 5 for Gulu District cum Vice President Uganda Local Government Association.

ALENYO'S FACT FILES.

He was born in 1942 to the family of the Late Noah Javuru and Rebecca Nyakalaya of Jupakeno, Pukwero Padara village, in Panyango Subcounty, Pakwach District (formerly Nebbi District).

He went to Mamba and Pajobi Primary School before joining Gulu High School and Mvara Secondary School in Arua.

He also went to Agrey Memorial College and Institute of Public Administration and Sydney Institute of Journalism in Austalia. He served as a clerk in Rhino Camp Cotton Ginnery and then South Nile Co-oprative Union Pakwach.

In 1961, he joined Radio Uganda as a broadcast journalist. He rose through ranks to become the head of programmes for Northern languages then later Chief Commercial Manager for Radio Uganda and Uganda Television 1983 – 1986.

He is survived by a widow (Anna Alenyo) and children who have excelled in different professions. The family is blessed with Lawyers, Doctors, Social Scientists among others.

MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE!