Burial & Memorial Service of the Late





Date: Saturday 10th April, 2021 Venue: Transitions Funeral Place, Haatso

Time: 6:30am



Order Of Service

for the late Opanyin Martin Kwame Yeboah



OFFICIATING MINISTERS

Pastor Isaac Opoku-Adipah (COP Amrahia District Minister) Elder Isaac Ampem-Darko

CHOIR

Vibrant Vessels (COP Amrahia English Assembly)

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Filing Past
- 3. Musical Interlude: by choir
- 4. Closing of casket
- 5. Welcoming of guests
- 6. Biography: by Family member
- 7. Tributes: Widow, Children, Son-in-law & Grandchildren
- 8. Musical interlude: by choir
- 9. Short exhortation: by Pastor Isaac Opoku-Adipah
- 10. Prayer for the Family
- 11. Final blessing & farewell
- 12. Announcement
- 13. Benediction
- 14. Recession
- 15. Departure to burial site (Private burial)

Biography of the Late Opanyin Martin Kwame Yeboah

Seventy years are given to us! Some even live to eighty But even the best years are filled with pain and trouble. Soon they disappear and we fly away. (Psalm 90:10).

The late Opanyin Martin Kwame Yeboah was born in the year 1944 at Bepong-Kwahu to Opanyin Yaw Yeboah of Ada family and Obaapannin Yaa Tweneboah of Bretuo family (both of blessed memory), all of Bepong Kwahu in the Eastern region of Ghana.

Opanyin Martin Kwame Yeboah (also known as Kwame Bosompem Kaakyire), was the last born to both parents. He started his elementary education at Bepong Methodist Primary school and completed at Atibie Methodist Middle school in 1960. After completing school, his senior brother, the late Nana Kwabena Anom, took him to Accra. Whilst in Accra, his brother introduced him to trading in second-hand tyres at Tudu, which by the grace of God and with hard work, he became very successful in a few years.

In 1977, Opanyin Kwame Yeboah got married to his beloved Madam Ama Serwah, and their marriage was blessed with two children, namely: Adwoa Yeboah and Nana Anom Yeboah. Later on, in the life of the couple, God in his infinite wisdom gave them another child Nana Yaa Pokua to nurture.

Having the passion for trading, he continued trading with his wife in groceries in the later part of his life at North Dzorwulu, until his demise after a short illness on 2nd March 2021.

Wofa', as Opanyin Kwame Yeboah was affectionately known and called by many people, was God fearing, an advisor, humble, counsellor, truthful, serviceable and compassionate to all, to the extent that he will give his last pesewa to anyone in need to his detriment. Indeed, as a family, we are saddened by the vacuum created by your loss, as you have been our pillar. Wofa Kwame Kaakyire, even though you have departed from us, we will forever hold you dearly in our hearts, till we meet again.

With heavy hearts we say: 'Wofa, rest in the peace of the Lord' Damirifa due



Tribute by Widow

What a day, what a day!

My dear husband, I have not imagined that I will be reading your tribute as a widow to all persons gathered here today at this point in my life but as the Bible says in Isaiah 55:8 'for my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord'.

Our paths crossed when we met at Tudu in Accra when you were trading in tyres and I in clothing materials with my uncle. After courting for a while, I had the strong conviction that you were the man I had to spend my life with. We got married in 1977 and our lives together like any couple have not been all rosy but with your humble spirit, we stood tall. You have been a good father to our children, Adwoa and Nana. I cannot forget how you have fathered and nurtured Nana Yaa from that tender age, when God gave her to us, in spite of her developmental challenges, even to this time. It only takes a God-fearing man with a good heart like yours to do what you have done.

Kwame, you have been my source of comfort, love, joy and above all my confidant, best friend and companion all these years as we battled the storms of life together; but you have left me all alone, without saying goodbye. With your loss, I now know that one of the difficult things to deal with in life is the death of a spouse. You have transitioned out of this world, leaving me and our children heartbroken. The pain and sorrow is so difficult for me to bear.



Now that you are gone, who will I confer with? Who will console me when I'm down? Why you have been taken away from me at this critical time, I cannot comprehend but God knows best. Your death has created a deep emptiness in my life, but I take consolation in the fact that you are with your Maker who will also strengthen me to carry on living, to support our children and take care of our grandchildren.

Kwame, fare thee well. Rest in perfect peace Da yie, da bi ye be hyia bio mu

Tribute by Children

The saying that life is so short, has come so real to us with your passing away Daddy. There are no words to describe the void you have left. Indeed, we have not only lost a father but an advisor, a guide, a counsellor, and a supporter.

Daddy, we know all too well how your toil and sacrifices have contributed to who we have become today, taking cognizance of your hard work, dedication, orderliness, care, meekness, and respect to all manner of persons.

You were selfless and made sure we had the best. Thank you for the unconditional love, care and using your experience in life to teach us valuable lessons, including your famous saying in Twi "nipa nye, suro nipa", translated as "be careful of human beings". We are privileged to have been fathered by you.

On your sick bed, when you opened your eyes to look at us, we had hope that as the fighter that you are, you will get well and come back home to us, only to get the shocking news that death has placed its cold hands on you. It is like a dream to think that you are gone forever, even at this difficult time in our lives that we need you the most. But seeing your lifeless body has made it a reality to us.

We are however of the belief that even though your body may have run its course, your soul lives forever. Though it is time to bid you farewell, we will remember you and make you proud. May the Lord keep your gentle soul.





And God shall wipe away all tears from our eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain.

(Rev 21:4)

I never in my wildest dream envisaged an occasion such as this at this time. I never had the slightest thought that there will be such a day. A day that will require me to pay tribute and give my last honor and respect to my father in law. Not that I have forgotten that we are all humans and that death is inevitable, but just that I never expected it to be this soon.

Mr. Martin Kwame Yeboah, the father of my sweet wife never saw me as a son in law but as his biological son. He counted me as one of his children, hence saw me as his eldest son. I had such an excellent relationship with him to an extent that we could confide in each other. Such a wonderful man he was. He loved his grandchildren; thus, my children and they were also fond of him.

He was a man who never bothered about who will offend him but rather concerned himself with how he could be of help to people he came into contact with. Such a great vacuum has been created with your departure, a vacuum that can never be filled. It is because of your uniqueness in nature and character. You were such a good man!

Despite how sad we are, we are also grateful to God for giving you to us. I couldn't have wished for any other father in law but you. That is why I can only take solace in the kind of good relationship I had with you and very appreciative of your fatherly role in my life. I shall forever remember you.

Until we meet again, I bid you safe journey and pray for a good rest in the bosom of your Maker.

Fare thee well, Opanyin Kwame Yeboah. Damirifa due, due ne amane hunu!!

Tribute from the Grandchildren Kobby, Abby, Owura and Ohemaa

Grandpa, grandpa, we are here!

But you are lying here quietly without responding.

It was a shock to us when we were told that you have gone to be with God in heaven. While you were at the hospital, we always had a strange restlessness, but we pushed that feeling aside because we saw your illness to be temporal and expected you back to us in no time.

But God knows why He has taken you from us. His time is always the best. Now that you're gone, who will we run to give a hug when we come home? Who is going to comfort us when we are sad? Indeed, your death has created a vacuum in all our lives.

Grandpa, even though you are gone, we cherish the love, kindness and care you gave us. You are a great man and you have been a wonderful grandfather, advisor, shield, and strength to us. We have indeed lost a great pillar in our lives.

As kids, there were times that we frustrated you and made numerous demands, but you were not perturbed and had the patience and heart to listen to us and grant our demands. We have missed your smile, hug, kind words and care but we know that while you are in heaven, you will still keep an eye on all of us. We will continue to honor you and be the best that we can be, wherever we find ourselves.



Rest in peace Grandpa. We love you so much.

Appreciation



The entire family, widow, and children of the late

OPANYIN MARTIN KWAME YEBOAH

wish to extend our profound gratitude to all guests, friends, well-wishers and sympathizers for your love, care, prayers, and support in diverse ways to us through this difficult time. Our pain has been heavy and unbearable but the grace from the Almighty God and the demonstration of your love to us, have enabled us to endure. May the Almighty God bless you all, keep you safe and grant you travel mercies as you return to your various destinations.

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