CHIEF THEOPHILUS xAKINYELE

A Role Model And An Icon

Thorough, assiduous and exemplary. Was more than GOOD in ALL subjects as confirmed by Ibadan Grammar School. Why Not? NIHIL SINE DEO: Nothing exists (is possible) without GOD also LABOR OMNIA VINCIT: Perseverance overcomes everything. Those were his Motto and Guiding Principle.

While he emphasized all these during his school period, the Author of this Tribute and his immediate junior and friend always said TEMPUS FUGIT MAGNOPERE ET HORAE NON MUTANTUR: Time flies at great speed and the Hours are not returning.

Adeleke Akinyele was the first Old Grammarian admitted by the UCI to study Classics which he accomplished distinctively.

On graduation, he was appointed by the mainly expatriate-led Colonial Government as Administrative Officer where he moved rapidly and eventually got appointed as The Secretary to the Military Government and HEAD OF SERVICE Western State.!

During his tenure, he was loved by all and a pride to Ibadan. The then Olubadan of Ibadanland appointed him as The Bobajiro of Ibadanland. Was extremely modest and unassuming, but, always encouraging the Youth to raise high the Glory of our fatherland and at the same time, he was always fair to all.

Senior Akinyele is survived and always supported by a loving Wife in a family of many great children and grands with wonderful achievements in their father's life time.

Our Prayer is that these successors will achieve even greater Glory than that of this great Colossus (Amen).

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