



Godwin Chukwuma Ogbuokiri

September 15, 2022

Dr. Godwin Chukwuma Ogbuokiri

(fondly called Chief Omenka) was called home to Heaven on Thursday, September 15, 2022, on the feast day of our Lady of Sorrows, after a brief illness at 83 years of age.

Beloved husband of Justina Enuma (Nee Ezie) Ogbuokiri, proud father of Uchenna Ogbuokiri, Obianuju Ogbuokiri, Kelechi (Christopher) Loynd, Ginika (Okey) Onyeama and Chukwuemeka Ogbuokiri; doting Grandpa "Chief" of Adaeze, Alan, Alexander and Amara Loynd; Ogechi and Chiderah Ogbuokiri; Immamachi, Kobimtochi and Chidirim Onyeama; loyal brother of Sabina (Theophilus) Chimezie, Benedict (Eddie) Okorie, Onyinye (Fortunatus) Dike, Iheanyi (Chinwe) Ogbuokiri and sisters Theresa (Paulinus) Anyiam, Bridget Ogbuokiri, Vicky (Cypril) Ihejiahi, Beatrice (Joseph) Ezeonyia who preceded him in death; and special uncle, cousin and friend to so many.

Godwin was born on April 19, 1939, in Aba, Abia State Nigeria, to the late Stephen and Janet (Nee Egbunine) Ogbuokiri. He was proud of his Ezeka Umunze roots and always carried his heritage proudly as he navigated sharing his lifetime in both the American and African continents.

Godwin will be forever missed by his wife of 52 years, Justina and their loving children Uchenna, Obianuju, Kelechi, Ginika and Chukwuemeka.

Godwin was an esteemed physician with almost 60 years of patient care, a profession he enjoyed so much that he did not ever retire from this passionate work. Godwin's longterm practices were at Majane Hospital, Aba and up until

his home going practiced at Downman Urgent Clinic, New Orleans, LA. Godwin is remembered for his faith, love and service of others. He consistently participated in numerous ORA USA medical mission trips and health fairs at his parish St Maria Goretti. He was a member of the Catholic Knights of Columbus in the USA and Knights of St Mulumba while in Nigeria. Omenka returned to his maker swiftly after a life well spent, surrounded by love and gratitude. He will be sorely missed by so many who have been positively impacted by his life. He was a philanthropist who belonged to numerous medical, cultural and social groups including ORAUSA, ETU, Peoples Club of Nigeria, ANNO.

All who knew Chief Omenka, will always remember that he was a shining beacon of light and hope, whose humble exuberance was inspiring.

In his honor, please show kindness to one another.

Memorial flowers can be sent to Rhodes funeral Home, Downman Urgent Clinic and St Maria Goretti Catholic Church; appreciated.

Services: Visitation at St Maria Goretti Parish 7300 Crowder Blvd, New Orleans, LA 70126 on Saturday, November 12, 2022 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Mass begins at 11:00 am.

Repast and Celebration of Life on Saturday, November 12, 2022 from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm at Venetian Venue, 6940 Martin Dr. NOLA, 70126

Interment and Burial will be at Ezeka, Umunze Eziachi, Nigeria.

Arrangements by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue.

Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the guestbook.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 12. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church
7300 Crowder Blvd
New Orleans, LA 70127

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Maria Goretti Catholic Church
7300 Crowder Blvd
New Orleans, LA 70127

Tribute Wall

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“ Our God that called you to life has reconciled you to himself in His Love, Kindness, and Mercy. May you, Dr. Godwin Ogbokiri rest in the PEACE of the Lord. My family prays God to comfort his dear family and us, the friends as we morn this departure. We give thanks to God for the life He granted our brother. Amen.

Dr. Azubike Okpalaeze - November 10, 2022 at 05:47 PM

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You are missed greatly. RIP

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