

## DR. OGBONNAYA ONU BURIAL COMMITTEE

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## PRESS RELEASE

## PROGRAMME FOR THE BURIAL OF THE LATE DR. OGBONNAYA ONU, CON

The burial committee, on behalf of the Onu's family of Uburu Ohaozara LGA, Ebonyi state, regrets to announce the transition to eternity of Dr. Ogbonnaya Onu, CON, which sad event occurred on the 11<sup>th</sup> day 0f April, 2024, after a brief illness at the age of 72 years.

Dr. Onu was an engineer, author, and foremost Nigerian politician who traversed the entire Nigerian political landscape, building bridges of peace, national unity, and patriotism. Dr. Onu was the first elected Civilian Governor of Abia State, and since then, he remained committed to the deepening and promotion of the ideals of democracy and good governance in Nigeria. In that wise, he became the first chairman of the Conference of Nigeria elected Governors, and the National Chairman of the All Nigerian People's Party (ANPP) in 2010.

In 2013, Dr. Onu successfully led his party to the merger of All Nigerians Peoples Party (ANPP), Action Congress of Nigeria (ACN), Congress for Progressive Change (CPC), a block of All Progressives Grand Alliance (APGA) and a block of Peoples democratic party (PDP), to form what is today known as the All Progressives Congress (APC).

Dr. Onu's remarkable attributes of honesty and dedication earned him further elevation to the office of Minister of Science and Technology and consequently a national honour of Commander of the Order of Niger (CON).

The nation is saddened by the loss of this iconic leader, patriot, and Statesman, and in order to give him a befitting farewell, the Burial Committee has lined-up the following funeral rites:

4th November, 2024

Night of tributes at the Musa Yar' Adua Centre, Abuja - 5pm

5th November, 2024	Requiem Mass at Church of Assumption, Asokoro, Abuja -5pm
6th November, 2024	Lying in State at Abia State Executive Council Chambers - 11am; And day of tributes at International Conference Centre Umuahia at - 1 pm
7th November, 2024	Lying in State at Ebony State Executive Council Chambers - I2pm; And Requiem Mass/ Wake at Uburu (His Country Home) - 5pm
8th November, 2024	Funeral Service and Interment at Uburu (His country Home), Ohaozara LGA, Ebonyi State – 11 am

As we prepare for the final rites of passage, we pray the almighty God to grant his soul eternal repose in Jesus name.

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Rt. Hon Chibuike Rotimi Amaechi, CON