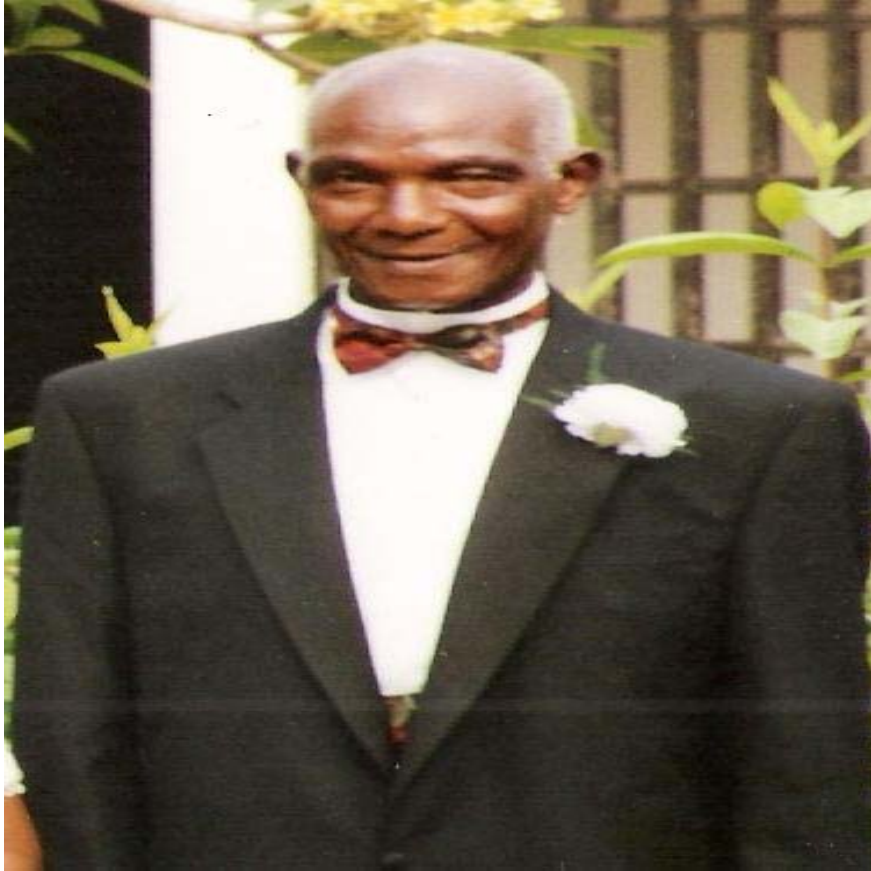


Biography of Mr. Ebenezer Nerboi (Nellie) Nettey (*Ad Patres*)
28th November 1924 – 10th May 2010
85 Years and Seven Months



The late Mr. Ebenezer Nerboi (Nellie) Nettey was born on Friday, 28th November 1924, at Mona to the Rev Robert David Tetteh Nettey of Sonme Naa, Gbese and Madam Mary Kwarley Quarthey of Nii Dzan-Bi Amu We Royal Family, Otublohum Royal Family. He was called home by the Lord on Monday, 10th May 2010. He was the eighth of nine children.

He started his education at Accra Junior Boys' School, James Town, Accra. When his uncle Mr. James David Kpakpa Quarthey, Headmaster of Accra Government School was transferred to Esiama, Nzima, he accompanied him and continued his education at Esiama Government School, Nzima. They returned to Accra in 1938 where he continued his education at Government Senior Boys School. In 1940, he proceeded to Accra Academy where he had his secondary education and sat the Cambridge examination in 1945. At Accra Academy, he read classics in sixth form, which enabled him to remain a classicist with great fondness for Latin and Greek, as well as the works of Chaucer and Shakespeare.

As a young man, he distinguished himself as an elite athlete and sportsman. He was the goalie for the field hockey squad at Accra Academy before serving as captain of the nascent nation's table tennis (ping-pong) team. As captain, he led the national table tennis team in international competitions where he won numerous awards including laurels from both Dr. Kwame Nkrumah the first president of the Republic of Ghana and Dr. Nnamdi Azikiwe, the first president of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.

On 31st December 1956, he married Mrs. Ruby Florence Nettey (née Annan) at Holy Trinity Anglican Cathedral on High Street. Their wedding was officiated by the Very Reverend Provost Laing. Mr. and Mrs. Nettey remained faithful communicants at Holy Trinity Anglican Cathedral. After retirement, he continued his humble service to Christ's mission in the Anglican tradition as a Priest's Warden and a founding member of the men's fellowship at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church in Mamprobi.

He commenced professional work in Her Majesty's Colonial Civil Service in the Gold Coast as a personnel officer at Government Printing Press (Ghana Publishing Corporation, Victoriaborg). His public service as a civil servant continued through service to the newly independent nation of Ghana after 6th March 1957 through initial retirement before returning to serve on the joint Ghana, United Nations and USAID's Midas Project through final retirement.

From initial employment as a personnel officer at Government Printing Office, he was promoted and transferred to PWD (Public Works Department) and then to Ghana Geological Survey Department as the Principal Personnel Officer (PPO) and then ultimately, to the Ministry of Agriculture where he rose to the highest rank of Chief Personnel Officer (CPO) by dint of his hard work, honesty, integrity and eye for detail.

By the grace of God, he left behind his wife, Ruby, and their nine children in the persons of William Adjei (UK), Diana Nerteley Nettey (USA), Dr. Isaac Richmond Nii Akai Nettey (USA), Ian Nakai Nettey (Ghana), Ebenezer Okaitei Nettey (Switzerland), Cecilia Grace Norkai Nettey (UK), Muriel Ruby Nerikai Nettey (UK), Benedict Nerquaye Nettey (UK) Clive Oko Nerlai Nettey (UK) and fourteen grandchildren in the persons of Dr. Kelly Ashley Adjei, Karys Easton Adjei, Kimberley May Adjei, Deena Akinrinsola, Deen Akinrinsola Jr., Nevin Brandon Nii Akai Nettey, Kennedy Nerteley Nettey, Chelsea Nerteley Nettey, Jerome Nerteley Nettey, Jeremy Tetteh Nettey, Winnie Oudemans, Wendy Oudemans, Angel Amoo and Harold Mordecai Amoo, and one great grandson in the person of Rocco Regan-Adjei. He also left behind a sister in the name of Madam Juliana Naa Dzafor Nettey and cousins Mrs Sarah Naa Lamiokor Lamptey, Madam Beatrice Naa Adobea Addo, Madam Naa Saaku Nettey and several nieces and nephews, and in-laws.

He started serving the Nii Dzan Bi Amu We Royal Family in his early years under the tutelage of his uncle J.D. Quartey and ran several confidential errands for the family. He excelled in the role and gained the confidence of Nii Amu Mingle who became head of Nii Dzan Bi Amu We Royal family. He also served Nii Ayiku Mensah who was also head of the family. He finally served Nii Obaka Tettey who was also head of Nii Dzan Bi Amu We. After the death of Nii Obata Tetteh the position of head of family was abolished and a Council to rule Nii Dzan Bi Amu We was formed. After the death of Nii Amu Mingle he was elected Vice Chairman of the Nii Dzan Bi Amu We Royal family

Lying in State – Thursday, 8th July 2010 (5:00 p.m. - ...)

The body will be laid in state at his residence H/No. 52, Lartehbiokorshie Road, Near Papihon Hotel, Lartehbiokorshie, Accra, for wake keeping on Thursday 8th July, 2010 from 5:00 p.m. until ...

Burial Service – Friday, 9th July 2010 (9:00 a.m. at St. Francis Anglican Church)

Friday 9th July, 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mamprobi, Accra.

Internment – Friday, 9th July 2010 (Osu Cemetary after Burial Service)

Friday 9th July, 2010 at Osu Cemetery, Accra after conclusion of the burial service at St. Francis of Assisi

Final Funeral Rites – Friday, 9th July 2010 (After Burial at Osu Cemetary)

At his residence H/No 52, Lartehbiokorshie Road, Latehbiokorshie, Accra

Post Burial Memorial Service

Sunday, 11th July 2010 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Francis of Assisi Anglican Church, Mamprobi, Accra.