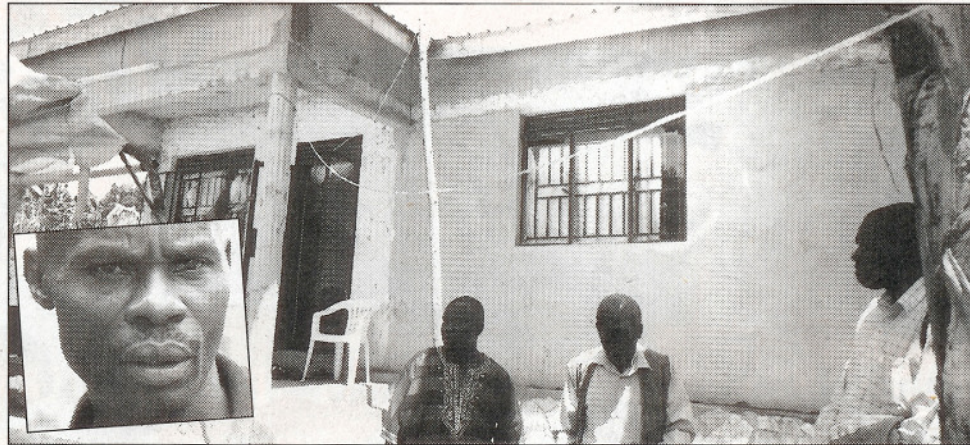


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A PROMINENT bum driller was bludgeoned to death with a hammer at his home in Bukasa village, Kyetume, Mukono District. David Kato, 46, was attacked by yet unknown suspects bashed his head in his house on Wednesday afternoon. According to residents, Kato, who has been living alone, is said to have been murdered by men who also robbed him of an unspecified amount of dime. Kato's cousin brother, John Mukasa, said he received a call from one of the residents that his brother had been hit and he was dying. "I received a call from one of the residents to come and help him. I found him lying on the floor in a pool of blood coming from his nose and ears. I immediately called an ambulance which took him to Kyetume Health Center," Mukasa said. When they reached the clinic, the nurses could not handle the patient and were referred to Kawolo Hospital where he died upon arrival due to excessive bleeding. Kato's neighbours and Mukasa

END OF A BUM ERA

Renowned Pupu Hole Driller Bludgeoned To Death



The bum driller's pad where he was murdered, inset is Kato

told us that he was a very loaded chap who would occasionally travel abroad for 'business' trips and would return with loads of cash. They also narrated that Kato had a bum-mate, Enock Nsubuga, whom he bailed out of jail and employed at his home. Unsurprisingly, Enock turned into a bum-mate and they would have romping sessions every time he would be in the country. Familiar sources revealed that Kato selected

this particular bum-mate from the many prisoners he would get from prison to farm in his gardens. "He fell for him and believably asked him the type of his offences. They seem to have cracked a deal so that Kato secures his freedom and he in turn becomes his 'wife'," revealed Kato's neighbour. The neighbour also intimated that the day Kato was murdered; his shaftmate reportedly bought him a

beer which the deceased drank before napping. It was during his nap that he called his accomplice, a special hire driver, Arnold Senoga, so they could execute the mission. Kato's head was bashed thrice and his house swept clean and loads of dime stolen. Neighbours narrated that as the two ferried property out of the house, they were less concerned as they always saw them visit Kato for romping sessions.

However, there were mixed feelings following Kato's death. Some sympathizers said he was a generous man and kind. "This man was a nice man who would always help out people with dime. But you had to be careful not to get so close to him because of his love for bums," saddened residents intimated to us. Others, especially women, were in fact glad that he had been put out of action because their men had become his victims. "That man had turned our men into bum drillers because he lured them with loads of dime. The guy was filthy loaded," a disgusted woman narrated. Among those who visited the scene were Bishop Ssenyonjo, a renowned gay sympathiser and the anti-homo activist, Pastor Martin Ssemua.

Who Is Kato

Son to Rev. Canon Mulumba of Nagoje Mukono, Kato is former Headmaster of Nkoni Primary school

in Masaka and has been Secretary General for Integrity Uganda, a renowned homo institution. Recently, he was among the people who successfully sued a local tabloid over exposure of sodomites' particulars. In 2008, a convert, Paul Kagaba accused Kato of having raped him before he introduced him to the infamous sodomy vice. Kagaba said then, Kato had taken him to High Way Restaurant in Masaka where he bought him several bites. After the eats, Kagaba felt uncomfortable in his tummy and Kato reportedly advised him to take some alcohol. Kagaba stated that two beers were enough to knock him out and the next thing he remembers was pain in his anus. "He used some jelly and raped me at his place along Villa road," Kagaba told a local daily in 2008. Later Kato, who was known to Kagaba's family, pleaded with him not to spill the beans. He offered him US\$130 (then Shs320,000) to keep mum but it was not long when Kagaba opened up after he converted back to straight life. By press time, the special hire driver with whom Enock bumped off Kato had been arrested to help police with investigations.