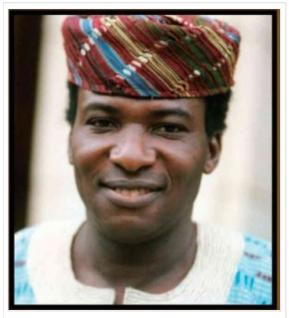
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The Olafioye Foundation has announced with a sense of loss and celebration of a fulfilled life in the lord, the glorious transition of Professor Tayo Peter Olafioye.

The glorious transition of Professor Olafioye from his earthly realm, occurred in Maryland, U.S.A on February 22, 2012 while seeking medical treatment after a brief illness.

Professor Tayo Olafioye aged 74 was a consummate academic, indefatigable patriot and courageous commentator on lational issues. A distinguished writer with 19 published books.

Prof. Olafioye won many prizes including Golden Poet"s Award, San Francisco Thorpe International, American National Library Award, and Yugoslavia Manifesto for Poetry.

He was a nominee for Nobel Prize Award with other notable colleagues like Chnua Achebe, Wole Soyinka, and Cyprian Ekwensi.

Educated in Nigeria and the United States, Prof. Olafioye attended Christs School Ado-Ekiti, the University of Lagos, Nigeria; the University of San Diego, California, and the University of Denver.

He received a PhD from the University of Denver, USA. Professor Olafioye was a Nigerian born writer, and one time Acting Editor of Daily Times of Nigeria.

He taught at the Universities of Calabar and Ilorin, Nigeria, and at University of San Diego, San Diego State University, and lately as Emeritus Professor at Adekunle Ajasin University in Ondo State before his death.

He is survived by his wife, Barister Biola Olafioye, two daughters Solape, and Foyin; three grandchildren, seventeen brothers and sisters including Pa Oluwole Olafioye Chief (Mrs) Kemi Ewuola, Mr Segun Olafioye, dr. Salewa Olafioye, Arch. Kasimawo Olafioye, Tunde Olafioye; CEO of Jin –Media, Dunni Olafioye, and Fusi Olafioye.

Burial details will be announced by the Olafioye Foundation at later date:

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