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### OBITUARY

PROFESSOR EBUN A. ONI  
(1935 – 2021)

The Vice-Chancellor, Professor Kayode Oyeboade Adebawale, mni, FAS, announces with deep regret, the transition of Prof. Ebun A. Oni (nee Adegbongbe), a retired staff of the Department of Physics, Faculty of Science. The sad event occurred on 2 Thursday, December, 2021. She was aged 86 years.

Late Prof. Oni was born on May 21, 1935 in Ilesa, Osun state. She started her educational career at St. Stephen's School, Ifewara before proceeding to St. John's School, Iloro, Ilesa between 1943 and 1946. Thereafter, she proceeded to Lagos for her secondary school education at Methodist Girls High School, Yaba, Lagos from 1947 to 1952. She was at the University College, Legon, Ghana, from 1957 to 1960 where she obtained the Bachelor of Science Degree, Second Class Upper Division, of the University of London in Physics and Mathematics. From there, she proceeded to the Imperial College, London for a Diploma of the Imperial College in Pure Geophysics in 1962, Master of Science in 1963 and the Doctorate Degree of the University of London in 1967.

She was elected a Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of Physics in July 1994, as one of the very first set of Fellows by the Institute. Late Prof. Oni was the Vice-President of the International Commission for Earth Sciences in Africa (ICESA) and represented Nigeria on the Scientific Committee on Solar Terrestrial Physics. She also served on many Scientific Committees of the International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics (IUGG). She began her academic career at the University of Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife), in August, 1963.

Late Prof. Oni joined the Department of Physics, University of Ibadan, Ibadan on October 1, 1968 where she served until her retirement on September 30, 2000, after 32 years of her services at Ibadan. She was a former Acting Head and Head, Department of Physics and a Foundation Director of Integrated Data Services Limited, a subsidiary of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC). She retired from the services of the University of Ibadan on September 30, 2000 and died in the early hours of Thursday, December 2, 2021.

She is survived by children, grand-children and cousins.

May her soul rest in peace.

**Olubunmi O. Faluyi, MCIPM**  
**Registrar**