

HISTORY OF EDUN DESCENDANT UNION

EDUN DESCENDANT UNION was formed in 1954 on the advice from Late CHIEF ADESOLA EDUN to foster unity and social harmony among grandchildren who were all living in LAGOS.

As the grand children were increasing in numbers and scattering over the States and in order not to mix EDUNS of JOGA, IBARA ABEOKUTA with other EDUN of the EGBA, it was decided to write a brief History of EDUN ARIYIBI of JOGA ABEOKUTA.

After series of International Wars between the DAHOMEANS, THE EGBADOS AND THE EGBAS, EDUN ARIYIBI OUR GREAT GRANDFATHER settled at OKEJOGA IBARA ABEOKUTA around 1830. His Father's name was (OWOLABI) while his Mother was OWOYI. He was a Warrior, Hunter and Farmer. Reliable information said he used to trek from OKEJOGA to IGAN OKOTO on hunting expedition through the thick forests all over EDBADO areas.

During his expedition he found IGAN TAIWO with his brother TAIWO the FATHER of FALANA. He used to hunt between Taiwo Village to Abeokuta. He built his House A FIVE ROOM AND A SHOP opposite THE MAINROAD LEADING TO GOVERNMENT RESERVATION AREA (G.R.A). He got married to two WIVES AT ABEOKUTA. HIS second wife was IBIDE from OKE MASHO IBARA ABEOKUTA. The third wife ATOROLA from AIYETORO.

He joined in the founding of AIYETORO. He finally got settled at IGAN TAIWO VILLAGE where he had seventeen children from the THREE WIVES. He left his words that he should not be buried at IGAN TAIWO but the corpse should be carried to his House at ABEOKUTA for burial, which the children did. The reason why he refused to be buried at IGAN was best known to him. His corpse was carried from IGAN TAIWO to ABEOKUTA OVERNIGHT. Those who carried the corpse left IGAN TAIWO around 7 p.m. and trekked through JOGA to ILEWO, then to IBARA ORILE and arrived OKE JOGA, IBARA ABEOKUTA early in the morning. He was finally buried in one of the rooms in the House. His first son JINADU ADEOGUN was equally brought to His FATHERS HOUSE at OKE JEGA ABEOKUTA for burial while his second son OGUNLEYE ASHAMU was equally buried at OKE JOGA by the side of his senior brother JINADU/ADEOGUN...

EDUN ARIYIBI HAD THREE WIVES namely: -

EFUNYINKA (2) IBIDE (3) ATOROLA

THE FIRST WIFE EFUNYINKA: was the daughter of BAMKUNBI who hailed from JOGA ABEOKUTA. The mother hailed from ILEWO ORILE. She had five children namely: -

SUBUOLA (2) OGUNLEYE (3) OMOLOLA (4) EMMANUEL ADEBAYO (5) SUBERU OLATUNJI.

THE SECOND WIFE: was IBIDE who hailed from OKE MASHO IBARA ABEOKUTA and she had six children namely: -

JINADU ADEOGUN (2) JAIYEOLA (3) OLAITAN (4) TITILOLA (5) JOSIAH BAMGBADE (6) OLUBAMKE

THE THIRD WIFE: ATOROLA who hailed from AIYETORO, she was blessed with six children namely: -(1) ABIGAIL (2) SOLAKUNMI (3) MICHAEL TAIYE (4) KEHINDE (5) JOSEPH (IDOWU) (6) ATINUKE

THE UNITY OF THE EDUN'S generally originated from both PA JINADU ADEOGUN AND PA OGUNLEYE EDUN who although were from different mothers grew together at TAIWO VILLAGE with their mothers. They all had their children at TAIWO VILLAGE. The two elderly sons PA JINADU AND PA OGUNLEYE controlled their juniors with love. It was when PA OGUNLEYE and PA JINADU visited OMOLOLA their younger sister who married PA OYERO at AGBAWO VILLAGE that they passed through a fertile bush which they later decided to buy. The bush was bought, and the village was named ILEMO Village. Some of their younger brothers Emmanuel Adebayo and Josiah Bamgbade moved to ILEMO Village and had their farms there. There was regular contact between the two elders. While Pa Jinadu stayed permanently at IGAN TAIWO, Pa Ogunleye stayed permanently at ILEMO Village. ILEMO Village was second home to the EDUNS, almost all the male children farmed at Ilemo Village. To mention a few, Late Suberu Olatunji, Pa Michael Edun. Pa Late Joseph Edun, Emmanuel Adebayo Edun.

Pa Ogunleye's children PA OMOTESO ABEL, PA JOSIAH BAMGBADE, ALFA TIJANI, PA ALADE, PA ILELABOYE all had their farms at ILEMO. It was from ILEMO Village that the EDUN FAMILIES moved to acquire a large area of the land for COCOA FARMING at KOMI ABULE OBA very near IBESHE. Majority of EDUN SONS had cocoa farms at KOMI ABULE OBA which is very near IBESHE. The land was acquired with a document from OBA OLUBESHE.

The vast farmland has since been surveyed. As earlier expressed all the grandchildren and children grew up at both TAIWO Village or ILEMO Village. Few of the children were persuaded to attend school at IGBOGILA being the only town with school.

RELIGION

The EDUN'S embraced both CHRISTAINITY and ISLAMIC Religion and there was no trace of Heathenism in the two Villages. Efunyinka Edun the first wife of Edun who had five children namely: Subuola, Ogunleye, Emmanuel, Omolola and Suberu Edun was Baptised by Emmanuel Adebayo Edun one of her sons and she was given MARIA EFUNYINKA EDUN as baptismal name. Her corpse was brought from TAIWO Village to Aiyetoro for bural in July, 1936. The Christians and the Muslims celebrate their festivals together. While PA JINADU the eldest was a Muslim along with his children like late Pa Kelani, Late Pa Tijani, Late Lawani Edun to mention a few from the other family members like Late Pa Michael, Pa Emmanuel, Pa Josiah, Pa Joseph were all Christians. There is a Church and Mosque in the Village, because the fear of the Lord is the ever-guiding principle of EDUN FAMILY. Late Pa Ogunleye would not do anything without consulting "IFA" (oracle) that directed him to send Late Chief Suberu EDUN to ABEOKUTA to learn a trade after his illness in 1921. Thus, late Suberu Edun was the first of Edun's sons to leave Taiwo Village for Abeokuta. He arrived at Abeokuta as a bachelor and settled at his father's house at oke Joga Ibara Abeokuta. A shop was opened for him by his brothers Ogunleye and Junadu at Omida Market opposite Asawo's Compound. He used to trade in general goods. He used to travel to Lagos by Train regularly to procure the goods.

He got married to Madaam Sariyu Edun around 1923 and was blessed with children, Alhaja Salimotu, Alhaji Sule Edun, Late Mr. Monhammed Folahan, Mrs Amudatu Bolaji Oduntan, Alhaji Dauda Kolawole, Chief Mrs. Awawu Abioye Kusamotu and Mrs. Fatima Boladale Raji. He was installed the BALOGUN of JOGA IBARA, Abeokuta in 1945 and he died on January 29th, 1982 and was buried in his father's compound. All the prediction of "IFA" came to pass on him. As the co-operation of his brothers was unequalled, Pa Ogunleye consulted "IFA" and it directed them to send Late George Adesola Edun and James Adekambi Edun to their senior brother Chief Suberu Edun at Abeokuta. The two earlier were schooling at Igbogila. While George Adesola Edun stayed with Chief Suberu Edun to learn trading, James Adekambi was staying with Late Pa Diel Adekunbi at Oke Joga, Ibara Abeokuta. Late George Adesola Edun opened a shop very close to Suberu Edun at Omida Market Ibara Abeokuta around 1932. He moved to Oke Masho Ibara Abeokuta when he was about to marry. He married Madam Alice Edun and had Late Barrister Goriola Edun at

Abeokuta. He used to travel to Lagos regularly to buy his goods as he was a general trader. In 1939 during the second world war he moved to Lagos to establish his trade. He had his shop at 8, Ashogbon Street, Lagos making Chief George Edun the first Edun son to stay in Lagos. He was a very successful businessman as he later turned his business to Timber Trade.

He was a good motivator and through him majority of us came to Lagos to look for green pastures. The first to join him in Lagos was Mr. Samuel Abiodun Edun, Alhaji Sule Edun, Late Mr. Afolabi Edun, Mr. Sunday Kolawolw, Mr Adeoti Edun, Mr. Adeleke Edun, Mr. Olu Aina, Mr. Sadiku Edun and Mr. Aloa Edun to mention a few. He was married and blessed with many successful children. He was installed Bashorun of Ibara, Abeokuta. He died in Lagos after in brief illness. After a farewell service conducted at Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Ilesamaja, Mushin Lagos, his corpse was preceded by a motorcade to Saint Andrews' Church, Ibara Abeokuta for a burial service after which he was interred at the Church Cemetery. He contributed a lot to the building of Saint Peters Anglican Church at Joga Orile. He built a country home at Joga Orile. He loved his people at Joga Orile that he used to spend his weekends in his country home at Joga. He would be remembered for honesty and frankness. Late Pa George Adesola Edun had so many friends as he was very friendly. One of those close friends was Late Mr. Abel Salako who was a full time civil servant and rose to the post of Permanent Secretary in Kaduna State, Late Pa Fadairo a Broadcaster who was a Chief in Ilaro, and Late Oba Samuel Adesina, The Olubara of Ibara and also his in-law Oba Pa Julius Ogunleye. He lived a peaceful and fulfilled life.

PA WILLIAM ADESINA EDUN: was the child of Madam Subuola Edun, the eldest daughter of EDUN. Madam Subuola was the first daughter of EFUNYINKA. Her first was to PA AKINOLA of ALADO'S COMPOUND, IBARA ABEOKUTA. She had two sons namely: PA SAMUEL OLABODE AKINOLA and PA WILLIAMS ADESINA EDUN. She been the eldest in the family was treasured and well taken care of by her younger brothers Jinadu and Ogunleye. She lived all her life at Aiyetoro (Albo) and when she died at a very old age she was brought to Orlile Joga, Ibara Abeokuta, she was buried in front of Pa Ogunleye Home at Bamkunbi Compound, Abeokuta.

PA JAMES ADESINA EDUN: was a GENERAL TRADER and TRANSPORTER. His passenger lorry was plated IGBOGILA TO LAGOS DAILY. He later moved to Lagos early fifties to continue his Transport Business while he lived at 1, Field Lane, Mushin, Lagos. He is married to Madam Morinola Edun who had both Mr. Akande Adesina Edun and Mr. Kolawole Adesina Edun and also married to two other wives

namely: Mrs Sabaina Adesina who had only a daughter Miss Bosede Adesina Edun. He died after a brief illness and was buried in Lagos after a funeral service at The Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Ilasamaja Mushin, Lagos in 1965.

PA JAMES ADESINA EDUN: stayed with Late Pa Daniel Adekunbi while he was learning motor business at Abeokuta, having relocated to Abeokuta with Pa George Edun, they were the first two sons of Edun who left Taiwo Village for the life in cosmopolitan town. He settled with Chief Sunberu Edun after his apprenticeship. He opened a shop at LAFENWA ABEOKUTA where he dealt in Motor Spare Parts. He was married to Madam Ajoke Edun (Kolomo). He relocated to ILARO where he started on Timber Business. He was a very successful Timber Merchant. There was a time he has about four Timber Lorries, a jeep car and a private car. He married Madam Wosila at Ilaro. He later relocated his business to Lagos and had a Motor Spare Parts Shop at Bridge Lane in Lagos, managed by his cousin Mr. Ajayi, He built Ladipo Street, Mushin, Lagos. He died and was buried in Lagos in 1977 after a brief illness. He was given a very befitting burial.

PA ABEL OMOTOSHO EDUN: relocated to Igbgila after his stay with his Father at Ilemo for a very long time. He was a successful Farmer. He later started Transport Business at Igbogila after the departure of Pa Williams Adesina to Lagos. He is married to many wives and he was blessed with successful children. He built his House at 5, Disu Street, at Mushin. He died after a brief illness and was buried at Atan Cemetery, Yaba, Lagos. He lived a very quiet but purposeful life.

PA SAMSON OLATOYE EDUN: Also joined Chief Suberu Edun in Abeokuta at a very early age. He was living at Ilemo Village before he relocated to Abeokuta. He lived all his life in Abeokuta. He was married to Madam Oyenike and was blessed with many children. He died at a ripe age in 1998 and was buried at the Church Cemetery Ibara Abeokuta after a Memorial Service Andrews' Anglican Church, Ibara Abeokuta.

LATE PA JOSIAH BAMGBADE EDUN: Was the younger brother to PA JINADU he was a successful farmer at Taiwo Village. At an old age when he could not farm again he relocated to Oke Masho, Ibara, Abeokuta. He was installed Chief OJOMU OF IBARA, ABEOKUTA. He died at an old age and was buried at the Church Cemetery Ibara after a memorial service at Saint Andrews Church, Ibara Abeokuta. He was survived by Mr SAMUEL ABIODUN EDUN, MR ALAO EDUN, MRS ABIKE and MRS ABEGBE and many grandchildren.

PA MICHAEL EDUN: was the first son of MADAM ATOROLA. He was a FARMER and resided at TAIWO Village throughout his life. He used to visit

his senior brother Chief Suberu Edun at Abeokuta in the forties and early fifties. He was blessed with successful children in person of MR ADEOTI EDUN, MR ADELANI EDUN, MRS GBEMISOLS KING, MRS TENIOLA DADA, MRS OLABISI ADUBI, MR AJANI EDUN, LATE CLEMENT EDUN and MR BOLA EDUN. He died and was buried at IGAN TAIWO.

PA JOSEPH EDUN: was the younger brother of PA MICHAEL EDUN. He was a very successful farmer and much liked by his elder brother JINADU and OGUNLEYE. He died at an early age and was buried at IGAN TAIWO. He was survived by successful children in person of MR HEZEKIEL ADELEKE EDUN, MR AKANJI EDUN, LATE OLAYEMI EDUN, MRS ASHAKE TAIWO and DR ABIADE EDUN.

MADAM ABIGAIL MORENIKE EDUN: was the first daughter of MADAM ATOROLA the third wife of EDUN. She was married to PA KOLAWOLE from ILEWO ORILE and was blessed with successful children in person of LATE MADAM JADESOLA KUSORO and MR SUNDAY KOLAWOLE and MADAM BAMIDELE.

LATE DANIEL OLUWOLE EDUN: was the first son of PA EMMANUEL EDUN (BABA AIYETORO). He schooled in Ibara Abeokuta while he stayed with Chief Suberu Edun. He joined the Nigerian Army in 1943 during the second world war. He was discharged from the army after the war and he joined the Veterinary Services and a Driver. He was blessed in his House at Alhaji Amusa Street, Papa Ajao, Mushin Lagos.

It is essential to mention **ALHAJI YESUFU ADEWUYI EDUN** the first son of MADAM MOLEYE EDUN and one of the sons of PA OGUNLEYE EDUN. He was a farmer, hunter and Politician. He lived the early part of his life with his father Pa Ogunleye at Ilemo. Pa Ogunleye built a House at Oke Joga Aiyetoro in the late thirties. Pa Yesufu Adewuyi Edun relocated to Oke Joga Aiyetoro. He joined the NPN Party as he was a Politician. He was appointed a COURT JUDGE. He was a very active Politician and the Chairman of so many associations. He was a very popular politician and was blessed with many successful children. He died after a brief illness and was buried at Oke Joga Aiyetoro in 1992.

LATE MR BAKARE EDUN: was the son of JINADU EDUN. He lived all his life at IGAN TAIWO as a Farmer but relocated to Oke Joga Aiyetoro later in life. He was blessed with children, he died and was buried at Aiyetoro in 1994.

LATE ALFA TIJANI EDUN was a Muslim Cleric and Farmer. He was a son of PA JINADU, who lived at IGAN TAIWO but later relocated to Abeokuta. He had a shop at LAFENWA and was living at IBIDE'S COMPOUND OKE MASHO. He was blessed with children. He died and was buried at Oke Masho Ibara Abeokuta.

Our grandfathers lived a very peaceful communal life and they did their things in common.

Unity was their watchword.

	FIRST WIFE (EDFUNYINKA)	SECOND WIFE (IBIDE)	THIRD WIFE (ATOROLA)
1	Madam Subuola	Pa Jinadu	Madam Abigail Morenikeji
2	Pa Ogunleye	Jiayeola	Solakunmi
3	Madam Omolola	Pa Oliatan	Kehinde
4	Pa Emmanuel	Madam Titilola	Taiwo
5	Pa Suberu	Pa Josiah	Joseph (Idowu)
		Madam Bamke	Atinuke

EFUNYINKA the first wife had the following children:

SUBUOLA had two children: Samuel Olabode and Williams Popoola. The two children had so many children, prominent were Mr Akande Edun, Kolawole Edun, Late Atoke Edun and Bosede Edun. Also, was Adisa Edun and sisters.

LATE PA OGUNLEYE'S CHILDREN WERE:

- 1). Late Olajumoke
- 2). Late James Adekanmbi
- 3). Late Abel Omotesho
- 4). Late Olatoye Samson
- 5). Ilelaboye
- 6). Late Adepeju
- 7). Late Bilewu
- 8). Late Yesufu Adewuyi
- 9). Alade

- 10). Late Taiye
- 11). Fowotade
- 12). Madam Ayinbo

In this history Edun the great grandfather had seventeen (17) children and they are all dead, the last daughter Atinuke died and was buried in November 1996.

LATE OMOTOLA:had

- 1). Sura Oyero
- 2). Late Adetoye Oyero
- 3). Late Oloyede (Iya Ilemo)
- 4). Wuraola
- 5). Folarin
- 6). Late Oladehinde

All had their numerous children of which MR. RASAKI OYERO as a member of Edun Descendant Union.

LATE EMMANUEL EDUN: had

- 1). Late Oluwemimo – Iya Bisi
- 2). Late Oluwole Edun
- 3). Taiye Nwankwo
- 4). Ibironke
- 5). Ajoke Omotosho
- 6). Amope
- 7). Mojisola
- 8). Iyabo Akingbade
- 9). Gbadegeshin Edun
- 10). Ebun
- 11). Anike
- 12). Titilayo
- 13). Ayinde

All these have their numerous children.

LATE SUBERU EDUN: had

- 1). Alhaja Salimotu
- 2). Alhaji Sule Edun
- 3). Late Folahan Edun
- 4). Mrs Bolaji Oduntan
- 5). Alhaji Dauba Kolawole Edun
- 6). Chief Mrs Bioye Kusamotu
- 7). Mrs Fatimo Bolade Raji

JINADU: had

- 1). Late George Adesola Edun
- 2). Late Mrs Abebi Ogunleye
- 3). Ogundoyin
- 4). Late Kelani
- 5). Late Bakare
- 6). Late Tijani
- 7). Sadiku Edun
- 8). Late Aminatu
- 9). Wulemotu
- 10). Mr Afolabi Edun
- 11). Sikiratu
- 12). Late Lawani Edun

LATE OLAITAN: had Late Solomon Ogundiran.

LATE JOSIAH BAMGBADE:

- 1). Samuel Abiodun Edun
- 2). Oyewole Alao
- 3). Abegbe
- 4). Abike

LATE TITILOLA: had

- 1). Mr Olu aina
- 2). Late Adekunle
- 3). Late Anike

MADAM ATOROLA: had

- 1). Abigael Omorenike
- 2). Mrs Jadesola Kusoro
- 3). Sunday Kolawole
- 4). Bamidele

SOLAKUNMI: had

- 1). Otolorin
- 2). Aremu

MICHAEL KEHINDE: had

- 1). David Adeoti
- 2). Adelani Edun
- 3). Adekunle Edun
- 4) Alabi Edun
- 5) Gbemisola King
- 6) Teniola Dada
- 7) Olabisi Adubi
- 8) Bolade Edun
- 9) Ajani Edun

JOSEPH (IDOWU): had

- 1). Hezekiah Adeleke Edun
- 2). Akanji Edun

- 3). Olayemi Edun
- 4). Mrs Ashake Taiwo
- 5). Dr. Abiade Edun

JOSEPH (IDOWU): had

- 1). Hezekiah Adeleke Edun
- 2). Akanji Edun
- 3). Olayemi Edun
- 4). Mrs Ashake Taiwo
- 5). Dr. Abiade Edun

LATE ATINUKE

- 1). Late Joko
- 2). Late Akangbe

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