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PICTORIAL REPORT: MINISTER CHABANE MEMORIAL SERVICE

@ XIKUNDU VILLAGE

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People of Vhembe came from all corners of the District Municipality to attend the memorial service.



ANC Women's League also participated in the memorial service.



Members of Umkhonto we Sizwe also came to pay their respect.



MKMVA General Secretary in the Vhembe Region Mr Mashudu Mphaphuli " We called him the Animal, we have lost a good soldier, unifier and a disciplined cadre"



MEC Jerry Ndou giving keynote address at the Memorial service. "Minister Chabane dedicated his life to the service of his country



From right: MEC J Ndou, MEC R Phala, MEC I Kgetshepe and Hosi X.C Mhinga.



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and people from when he was only seventeen years old, joining the Military Wing of the ANC, Umkhonto Sizwe. In fighting for the ideals of equality, justice and freedom; Minister Chabane displayed dedication and has served in numerous leadership roles within MK, the ANC and Provincial and National Governments”.



EPC Men’s Guild at the home of Minister Chabane paying their condolences.



Mr L Masia “He was not only a member of our church but also participated in the EPC Men’s Guild whenever he got time. Through his efforts President Jacob Zuma attended our Conference the Synodal in October 2012 and Addressed all Men in that conference”



Next door neighbour Mrs Nkobyane Grace “ I was part of organising his wedding , I never thought I will also participate in his funeral. I was hoping that he will be the one to bury me, it is so painful”



Dr Thomas Hasani Chauke a well-known international Celebrated Tsonga Musician. “From the same village, I always felt so proud sharing with him a stage; it was an honour to have him as a colleague in the music industry and as a homeboy. We have lost an icon. It’s going to be very difficult to replace him if that will ever be possible”



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Mr Maluleke G.C on behalf of the Chabane's family /Clan "He left us too soon. We did not spend much time with him, still very hard to believe that he is gone. We are a royal family with a large number relatives but he managed to incorporate all of us in his life, a selfless men"

Giving vote of thanks, Mr Chabane said "Even in his death he continue to unify people" More than ten buses from all villages were full with people who came to offer their condolences. **COSATU, SANCO, SACP, ANCYL, ANCWL, ANCVL, MKMVA** offered message of support during the memorial service.

The following traditional leaders attended the memorial service:

- Hosi Mhinga X.C, Mdavula, Makuleke, Mahonisi, Xikundu, Nkavele, Madonsi, Nxumalo N and Prince Mathebula.

The following MEC's attended the memorial and visited the family thereafter:

- MEC Jerry Ndou, Charlie Sekoati C, Rudolph Phala, Ishmael Kgetshepe, Mokaba P and Joyce Mashamba. The Executive Mayor of Vhembe District Municipality all members of the council attended the family.



The four tents pitched were full people had to look to for other spaces under the trees.



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