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The Family of the Late Professor William Senteza Kajubi  
Former Vice Chancellor  
Makerere University

**CONDOLENCE MESSAGE**

Immense grief filled our hearts and shock engulfed us all when we learned of the sudden departure from this life of Professor William Senteza Kajubi. Words almost seem to fail us in expressing ourselves. Please accept our sincere condolences.

The world and Makerere University in particular has lost a distinguished alumnus, a renowned scholar, mentor, great grandfather of Education in Uganda and two-time Vice Chancellor of this great institution. Professor Senteza Kajubi's love for Makerere was unquestionable as demonstrated through his dedicated and exemplary service, even amidst turbulent times and the ever-present threat of death. On 20th December 2010, Makerere University unveiled a bust in his honour at the College of Education and External Studies, in recognition of his 60 years of exemplary service to the Education Sector in Uganda.

Professor William Senteza Kajubi's love for his nation was without a shred of doubt. Amidst his numerous national accolades, he was the Chairman of the three sub-committees established to deal with Uganda's national symbols; including one tasked with coming up with a national anthem. Impassioned to see this nation have a deserving national anthem and driven to desperation by the not-so-satisfactory compositions received, he contacted his old friend the late Professor George Wilberforce Kakoma. With only a day left, Professor Kakoma summoned every ounce of musical genius in him and came up with the national anthem in July 1962 much to Professor Senteza Kajubi's delight and relief. The nation and indeed the world will dearly miss these two brilliant men, when we celebrate 50 years of independence on 9<sup>th</sup> October 2012.

Our hearts go out to the Senteza Kajubi Family upon the loss of a Father, Grandfather, Great-Grandfather, mentor, friend and confidant who had an inexhaustible sense of humour. The nation and the world will indeed miss this multi-talented person of integrity with demonstrated commitment to duty, and an immense ability to relate, entertain and socialize. In the words of his dear friend Professor Lutalo-Bbosa, "*Professor William Senteza Kajubi – the "Friend-raiser" is the true embodiment of a mentor for us all.*"

May the Lord comfort you all during this difficult time and may Professor William Senteza Kajubi's soul rest in eternal peace.

**Professor Venansius Baryamureeba, ACTING VICE CHANCELLOR**