

*A Life
Well Lived*



Ex WO1 (Elder)
Victor Hanson
ASANTE
(aka VH)



Sunrise 1941 - Sunset 2025



ORDER OF SERVICE

BURIAL SERVICE AT 8:00AM

PART 1

Opening Prayer: Elder Gabriel Aheto

Chorus:

File Past: Hymn by Military Band

Songs: Other Areas and Districts

Other Churches

Madina Area

Ashaley Botwe District and Central Assembly

Introduction of Dignitaries

Bible Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Tw: Deacon Isaac Oduro

English: Deaconess Elizabeth Owusu Afriyie Acheampong

Prayer of Thanksgiving: Pastor Prof. Steve Nyarkotey

Quao (Rtd)

Biography: Family Rep.

Tributes:

Widow

Children

Grandchildren

Siblings

Ghana Airforce

The Church

Song: Wo behwim yen afa munumkum yi mu.

Sermon: Pastor Professor Joseph Osafo Adu

Alter Call: Pastor Charles Boadi

Offering:

Prayer For Bereaved Family:

Vote of Thanks: Family

Announcement:

Closing Prayer:

Lifting Casket/Musical Interlude: Military Band

Conductor: Elder Joseph Adrakpanya

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PART 2

**AT THE CEMETARY – MILITARY CEMETARY,
BURMA CAMP, ACCRA**

Chorus:

File Past: Hymn by Military Band

Procession To The Cemetery

Song (Hymn): Band

Prayers:

Last Post: Bugler

Laying Wreath: Family Rep.

Interment:

Two Minutes Silence: All

Reveille: Buglar

Closing Prayer:

Benediction:



BIOGRAPHY OF EX WO1(ELD) VICTOR HANSON ASANTE

Victor Hanson Asante was born on the March 4th, 1941, at Nkawkaw Aboagyiri in the Eastern Region. He was born to the late Pastor Wilson Asante and the late Madam Mercy Asantewaa all Obomeng Kwahu in the Eastern Region.

He was born into a family of seven (7), five (5) boys and two (2) girls and hailed from Obomeng Kwahu in the Eastern Region.

EDUCATION

VH Asante started his basic education at Asamankese then, to Nkawkaw Roman Catholic School in 1948 where he completed his elementary school and obtained his Middle School Leaving Certificate in 1957. He then proceeded to Koforidua Normal Technical College in 1958 and completed in 1961.

MILITARY SERVICE

He enlisted into the Ghana Armed Forces on March 11, 1962, attached to the Equipment Wing (Now Supply Branch). Subsequently, he was posted to the Airforce School of Trade Training (SI of T.T) as the first Ghanaian Instructor from 1965 to 1970. He was assigned to the Ministry of Defence, Procurement Department from 1971 to 1974. He was again, posted to the Air Force Headquarters in 1975 and then to the Air Force Base Accra Supply Branch.

VH attended several courses at the Royal Air Force (RAF) Brize Norton in the United Kingdom to be trained as Air Movement Officer between 1977 and 1978, and finally to the Air Force Base Supply Branch. He also participated in NATO training exercises in Malta.

He retired honourably from the Air Force as a Warrant Officer Class One, in March 1980 after serving actively for 18 years 42 days.



PUBLIC SERVICE

VH Asante joined the Ghana National Procurement Agency (GNPA), an agency under the Ministry of Trade and Industry, in 1980 as a Purchasing Officer. His quest for knowledge led him to attend several courses both local and international. Some of the courses he attended were in the UK by Crown Agents. He also travelled to countries like Germany, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Cuba for courses in international trade.

He rose to the position of Senior Manager in charge of Imports and retired from GNPA for that matter Public Service in 2001.

Due to his depth of knowledge in Procurement, he was hired by the The Management Development and Productivity Institute (MDPI) and The Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA) as a resource person in Procurement.

VOLUNTARY SERVICE

He worked voluntarily with the Planned Parenthood Association of Ghana as the Greater Accra Regional Secretary and travelled to the UK in 1973 as part of Ghana's delegation that participated in the 21st Anniversary of the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) in Brighton, UK.

MARRIED LIFE

VH got married to her beautiful wife, Mrs Agnes Ofosua Asante in 1964 and they were blessed with eight children- five (5) boys and three (3) girls.



CHRISTIAN LIFE

VH Asante was baptised on March 6, 1957, into Ghana Apostolic Church, now known as the Church of Pentecost by the late Apostle Edward Denkyi at Nkawkaw at the age of 16 years. In August 1974, he was ordained as an Elder of the Burma Camp Assembly by the late Chairman James McKeown who was assisted by the late Apostle J.E. Paintsil the then General Secretary and the late Pastor Lawer Baah at the Sophia McKeown Temple.

When he relocated to Ashalley Botwe, he worshiped with the Madina Assembly, and he was the first Presiding Elder of the Bethel Assembly from 1986 to 1989. He then established the Ashaley Botwe Assembly, now Ashaley Botwe Central of the Church and was made the first Presiding Elder from 1991 to 1999. He also opened the Ashalley Botwe Old Town Assembly and the University Farms Assembly; and in addition, started the English Assembly.

VH was retired in 2004 as an Elder after 30 years of active Eldership at Ashaley Botwe and a retirement service was organised for him in 2015.

VH Asante played a vital role in the growth and unity of Ashalley Botwe Newtown. He was one of the pioneering founders of Landlords Association of Ashaley Botwe Newtown, which he became the second chairman after the Late Dr. Kofi Sekyi-Aidoo.

As a dedicated leader in the Church of Pentecost, he helped strengthen the Christian fellowship within the community. Through his vision and commitment, the Local Council of Churches was established in Ashaley Botwe New Town. The Council brought together several denominations for annual crusades and spiritual celebrations that unified the township under the banner of Christ.

Through his commitment to the development of Ashaley Botwe New Town, the Chief of Ashaley Botwe named the street behind his building after him (**Asante Street**).

VH was an affable, honest, a mentor, loving, kind, generous, humble person and had an enviable spirit of hospitality. He often would invite friends to come home for lunch and friends in the likes of Nana Amo and Olu Luther King would even take a nap after a heavy lunch on a bed he deliberately put in his porch before they go home.

VH was loved by all. His personality made him so approachable. He had a listening ear and a solution for anyone who came to him with a problem. He was always there for people and took delight in putting smiles on the faces of people.

June 7, 2025, is a date we will forever remember. The Ekona and Aduana Abusua of Obomeng-Kwahu will forever miss you. The vacuum your death has created cannot be easily filled. However, we take consolation in the fact that God will grant you eternal rest.

We give thanks to God who gave you to us and has taken you away.

Odupon a tutu. VH, may your gentle soul find rest with your maker.

Nante yie, agyapa!!!!

Nante yie, onuapa!!!!

TRIBUTE BY WIFE

NKJV Bible. Revelation 14:13

Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them." Reaping the Earth's Harvest.

My dear husband, today I stand before our families, the church and friends to celebrate your life, your love, and your legacy. Your passing leaves an unfillable void in my heart, but I am grateful for the memories we shared.

You were my rock, my partner, and my best friend. Your love, support, and encouragement gave me strength and inspiration. I will cherish our laughter, our adventures, and our quiet moments together.



It has been 63 good years of love, friendship, cleaving and living together with you, my dearest husband. We are blessed with eight children, three girls and five strong boys and we thank God their lives.

Our relationship has not been without challenges, like in every marriage but in all, we settled our differences amicably.

Your kindness, generosity, and compassion touched countless lives. You were a true gentleman, always putting others before yourself.

I am proud of the life we built together and thank you for giving me these lovely children that I now call my siblings.

Your showmanship was something else. You flew a helicopter from the Airforce to Kwae, my hometown in the Eastern Region just to pick the food stuff I had bought, but unfortunately, I was not done. All I had were brooms. You brought these brooms in the helicopter to Accra. Your main aim was to let the community know that indeed Agya Kwame Ofose's son in-law was a military man and also to show off. You achieved this because the whole town trooped to the school park to see who had brought the helicopter and I was indeed proud of that.

My heart is broken because you have gone to be with your maker and know the Greater who lives in me and with me shall provide the strength for me and the children to carry on with our lives.

Rest in peace, my love. Your memory will live on in my heart, and I will continue to celebrate your life and legacy.

Nante yie, medofa pa, Kwabena Asante

TRIBUTE TO OUR DEAR FATHER

“Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.

***In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you.
I go to prepare a place for you.***

***And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself;
that where I am, there you may be also.***

And where I go you know, and the way you know.” (NKJV Bible. John 14:1-4)

Today, we gather to bid a final farewell to a man whose life was a testament to courage, honour, and love, our beloved father, VH Asante. Your passing leaves a void in our lives that can never be filled, but we take comfort in the memories we shared and the legacy you have left behind.

Daddy, from the moment we took our first steps, you were there to guide us, support us, and cheer us on. Your presence in our lives was a constant source of comfort, strength, and inspiration. You were our rock, our guide, and our greatest inspiration. We will carry your lessons in our heart forever.

Daddy, you were more than just a father to us; you were our mentor, a role model, and a friend. Your service to our nation was a source of pride for our family, and your dedication to your duties inspired us to strive for excellence in all aspects of our lives.

Watching us grow up, typically of you as a disciplinarian, you lined us up, took us through some basic military drills. This you did to shape and mould us to who we are today – courageous, fearless, always ready to take up responsibilities and above all, humble. There were times we asked you if we were enlisted into the army with you. Little did we know that such training was for our own good.

Education was so precious to you that you ensured that we had the best of education. Even in our adulthood, you always talked to us about furthering our education. “You know education has no end, so, try and aspire to get to the top,” This was one of your sayings that echoed in our ears.

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Hey! Whenever Daddy mounted the pulpit to preach, whether Sunday morning, or evening service within the week, one had to listen to him with rapped attention and take notes of every word that came out his mouth, because he would ask you what you heard and the lessons you learnt.

Daddy would lined us up and each one of us would mark his sermon and justify why you gave him the marks you gave and if you did not convince him, you would have to give him back his marks. This proved that he was not a man that you can easily walked over.

VH was a man of principles, and the word laziness was not in his vocabulary. He will tell you, “Hard work does not kill so give up your best in everything you do.”

Your sense of security consciousness was par excellence. We remember every evening before you go to bed, depending on who was at home, you would go round the house to inspect if there was no object that posed as a weapon for an intruder to use against us.

This became a habit for all of us and even now as adults, we still do this in our respective homes.

We remember at a point in time when we were the only family living in Ashaley Botwe New Town, we woke up one morning with no water running through the pipes. You walked with us to inspect the pipeline only to see the pipelines in the middle portion have been stolen. Thereafter, you assigned guard duty for each one of us from midnight till early morning to guard the newly installed pipelines. It was not just about protection but, safety and security at its core.

A father's first duty to his children is to love them. Our father, VH, loved us even in challenging times. He showed love and care to all who encountered him—his nephews, nieces, his neighbours, the Church, and the community. Daddy was a cheerful giver and would share the little he had with people. Whenever you gifted anyone money, you always ensured that you got them new beautiful cedi notes. We remember you went out of your way to buy a Nissan Urvan Bus and wrote "Mercy" at the front and Psalm 121" at the back for a brother in the Church who had lost his job but had a family to feed.

You used to tip us and when any of us did something extraordinary, you will reward us with a token. Sometimes on our birthdays, Daddy will put money in an envelope and address our names at the back. E.g. **From Victor Hanson Asante to Mrs Linda Asante Agyei, GHc150. 00. Happy birthday, my daughter.**

Daddy was indeed a selfless person. When the late Apostle Egyir Paintsil recommended you for Ministry, you in turn recommended the late Apostle Antwi who was your colleague in the GAF. You also had the opportunity to work with the United Nations, yet you recommended the late Squadron Leader Martinson who then went to work with the UN. THAT WAS HOW SELFLESS YOU WERE.

You advocated and worked with the late Apostle Egyir Paintsil who was the General Secretary to ensure that Retired Ministers of The Church of Pentecost were paid their fair pension and on time. This you did because you witnessed the hustle your father, the late Pastor Wilson Asante encountered. Always there for others. That was the man you were, selfless!

Name you said was everyone's identity; therefore, you always reminded us of the name **ASANTE** and entreated us to at all times preserve the name **ASANTE**.

Your sense of fashion was unique. Whenever you are going out especially to Church, you would always want a second opinion on your choice of suite, tie, shirt, and shoe to match, eeeeeii and your belt. "How do I look, he would ask, Wao! Your dressing is on point," VH nie! we will reply. Once you hear this, you give a broad smile and walk majestically with your shoulders high.

Daddy, you taught us to be smart and always plan for the future; "Dorcas, as you share the money, make sure you save some for emergency situations," this is an advice we will cherish and hold dear to.

As a soldier, you demonstrated remarkable courage, discipline, and resilience. Your commitment to your country and your fellow soldiers was unwavering, and your service will always be remembered.

You taught us what it meant to be strong, disciplined, humble, kind, and resilient and the need to maintain our integrity regardless of the circumstances. We will at all times honour your memory.

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You were indeed a unifier. You brought your nieces and nephews together

As we navigate this new reality without you, we take solace in the lessons you taught us, the values you instilled in us, and the love you shared with us. We will continue to make you proud, Daddy, by living out the principles you held dearly to.

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VH, though we cannot hold your hands again, bathe you, feed you, nor sit with you till day has ended, you live within our beating hearts, and we will never be apart.

Rest well, Daddy, rest well VH. Your legacy lives on through us, and we will continue to celebrate your life, love, and spirit. May you find eternal peace and joy in the presence of our Lord.

For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.

(NKJV Bible Romans 14:8)



TRIBUTE BY GRANDCHILDREN

We, the grandchildren of Victor Hanson Asante, come together today to honour a man whose impact on our lives is too vast for words, and whose absence leaves a space no one else could ever fill. To the world, he may have been a soldier, a disciplinarian, a man of structure. But to us, he was so much more: a mentor, a teacher, a protector, a quiet encourager, and our greatest example of faith, strength, and love.

For many of us, Grandpa Asante, as we affectionately called him, was a daily presence especially for those who had the blessing of living with him from childhood until his passing. He wasn't just someone we visited. He was someone who shaped us. He made sure we didn't just grow up, but we grew upright. He taught us to be kind, to be honest, humble, to be disciplined, and above all, to walk with God. Sunday school wasn't optional, and neither was integrity. Even in the smallest interactions like handing us a newspaper and asking for our opinion. Grandpa was sharpening us, preparing us, and molding us.

Grandpa had a seriousness about him, yes, but also a softness and a humor that could catch you by surprise. He would playfully tease, saying things like, "Tell Aunty Aggie I want a Land Cruiser V8," "How many helicopters and aeroplanes will you buy for me when you grow up?" He knew we laughed at those questions, but deep down, we all understood what they meant: dream big, aim high, believe in more.

He believed in us endlessly. Whether it was encouraging Mary to chase her dream of becoming a pilot (and holding onto that promise even as the dream evolved), or checking in on Patience's studies while she massaged his swollen feet, or asking Emmanuel, "What's the plan for the future? What do you want to become? What is your opinion about this Article in the newspaper? And that's where the discussion begins." Grandpa never stopped challenging us to be better and reminding us that he believed we could be.

He had a way of showing love that was quiet but constant. We remember the long afternoons playing at the Villa while he watched over us from the garage. We remember his warm smile that welcomed us home. We remember how he supported our education in every way he could, giving generously, even when he didn't have much. We remember how he laughed with us, corrected us, prayed for us, and celebrated us.

His values are stitched into our lives. Through his example, he taught us hard work, humility, faith, discipline, and truthfulness. He taught us to think deeply, to live with purpose, and to never forget where we came from or whose legacy we carry. Some of these lessons were spoken and many more were simply lived.

We will never forget the fun we had pretending to sneak around with his (safely disabled) gun, or the joy in his voice as he asked again about those imaginary aeroplanes. We didn't get to buy him that fleet, but he's now flown higher than any plane or helicopter ever could. We believe heaven welcomed him with open arms — not just as our Grandpa Asante, but as a man who truly fulfilled his purpose.

Though some of your grandchildren are still too young to write their own tributes or fully understand the weight of this moment, Grandpa, they too felt your love. They played in your arms, heard your voice, and saw your smile. In time, they will grow into your stories. The stories we will tell them. Through us, they will come to know your strength, your humor, your kindness, and your legacy. You live on in them, too in their laughter, in their names, in their futures.

We miss you, Grandpa Asante. Your voice echoes in our hearts. Your wisdom guides our paths. Your faith inspires our own. You've run your race, and you've run it well. Now it's our turn to carry the baton to live out your values, to share your love, and to make you proud

Rest well, Grandpa Victor Hanson Asante. You were our hero, and you always will be.



TRIBUTE BY SIBLINGS

“Then I heard a voice from heaven say, 'Write this: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.' 'Yes,' says the Spirit, 'they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them.’”

Revelation 14:13 (NIV):

Today, we are gathered here to pay our last respect to our beloved brother Victor. Although we stand here with great sadness because you are no longer with us physically, we smile knowing that you are finally at peace with your maker, after a life well lived.

You were a man of integrity that spent his life dedicated to servicing others with all your time, resources, and dedication to following the ways of the Lord.

We will always remember growing up from childhood how our parents taught us to be strong Christians in faith and abiding with attitudes of honesty, integrity, boldness, courage, resilience, and loyalty. So, it came as no surprise that you decided to enlist yourself as a soldier in the Ghana Armed Forces, after the completion of engineering training at the Normal Technical College in Koforidua.

After several rotations at the Takoradi Airforce Base, you successfully achieved a higher rank within the military and retired as a Warrant Officer Class One.

Throughout your career, you remained steadfast to your personal values, and you decided to follow your pastoral call of helping others and pursued Christ by joining the Church of Pentecost.

Your wealth of experience and wisdom led you to become a Presiding Elder, where you assisted with Church growth and evangelism. Even in your retirement, you travelled around the world and shared your thirst for knowledge.

Brother Victor, even though we say goodbye to you today, you will forever remain in our hearts, with loving memories.

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Your legacy will live on through the works that you have done here on earth. We were so blessed to have you all this time till God called you home.

***We may not understand why,
until we meet again.
Rest well brother,
Rest in perfect peace.***



TRIBUTE BY IN-LAWS

Daa (Victor) was a principled man and very disciplined. Even in his old age, you would see him exercising in the mornings and walking up and down in the yard.

He would greet you always and ask how you are doing.

He would also come sit and have a conversation with you about anything, once he sees you sitting outside. He loved to do things himself and did not joke with his afternoon naps. He was also a resource person in history and current affairs.

He will call you with news of what's happening before you even listen to the news. He always advised and encouraged you to trust God in all things. He was very nice to his in-laws and was a father figure to us.

He would often call and check up on us and his grandchildren. He always started his conversations with either a joke about a current situation in the news or just something to make you smile.

We are left with many fond memories and are sad because he is no longer here with us but we know he is resting with the Lord.

Rest well in peace, Daa!



TRIBUTE TO THE LATE ELDER VICTOR HANSON ASANTE BY THE CHURCH OF PENTECOST - ASHALEY BOTWE CENTRAL ASSEMBLY

His master replied, "Well Done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your Master's happiness". Matthew 25:23, NIV

With heavy hearts full of gratitude and reverence, we honour the extraordinary life and legacy of our beloved Elder Victor Hanson Asante, who has completed his earthly race and is now resting in the bosom of our Lord. A pillar of unwavering faith, a servant leader whose impact transcends generation. Elder V.H Asante will forever remain etched in the annal of our local history and in heart of all who knew him.

He accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour at age Sixteen (16) and baptized on Ghana's Independence Day, 6th March, 1957 by late Apostle E. Dankyi who was then the Pastor in charge of Nkawkaw District of the Church of Pentecost after eight (8) years in the Sunday school. He received the Holy Spirit baptism on the same date.

He was ordained an Elder of the Church by late Chairman, Pastor James McKeown who was assisted by late Apostle J. E. Paintsil, General Secretary and late Pastor Lawer Baah, Labadi District Pastor at Sophia McKeown Temple in August, 1974 whilst he worshipped at the Burma Camp Assembly of the Church.

During his active periods in the church, Elder V.H Asante has served and held the following positions. Acting Presiding Elder, Burma Camp-1978-1979, Acting Presiding Elder, Burma Camp-1980-1981, First Presiding Elder, Bethel Assembly (Madina)-1986-1989, First Presiding Elder, Ashaley Botwe New Town (Now Central)-1991-1999, Presiding Elder, Started the English Assembly in Ashaley Botwe-1998-1999, Presiding Elder, University Farms Assembly-1999-2000, Welfare Committee Chairman, Ashaley Botwe Central-1992-2015, Marriage Committee Member, Ashaley Botwe Central-1991-2012, and Bible Study Committee Chairman, Ashaley Botwe Central-2015.

He also served at the district level and held the following positions; Madina District Executive Member, Madina North District Executive Member, Ashaley Botwe District Executive Member, First Madina PEMEF Leader, Ashaley Botwe District Welfare Committee Chairman, and also became the Welfare Committee Chairman, Ashaley Botwe Central

Elder Victor Asante who is affectionately called V. H. was living at Ashaley Botwe but worshipped at Madina because there was no assembly at Ashaley Botwe at that time.

By dint of hard work, he became a founding member and the first presiding elder of the church of Pentecost, Ashaley Botwe - New Town Assembly (now Central Assembly).

He was a leader with a calm but receptive disposition. This exemplary quality of his made it difficult to predict his state of mind at any given time. He loved and cared for all manner of people he came into contact with. He showed respect to all irrespective of one's status.

He appreciated people and showed gratitude for genuine effort. We also saw him as a great man of God who sincerely loved God and committed his whole life to serving Him. He had strong faith in God and trusted Him to accomplish his purpose in his life. Elder Asante was knowledgeable not only in his office as an elder, but also in many fields. He was a good listener and has a sharp sense of scrutiny.

On Saturday, 14th June, 2025, the news about his death shocked the entire church as we were not expecting it at this time. Our departed Elder lived a fulfilled Christian life. His life chapters were closed with honesty, respect and love for mankind and God. We therefore agree with Apostle Paul "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." (2 Timothy 4:7-8)

Indeed, Elder V.H Asante has fought a good fight, and his reward is assured. He was a true servant of the Most High God and he has run his race with excellence, and now he has entered into the joy of His Master.

Indeed, the church has lost a father. What gives us joy is that a Missionary is always called back home after successful completion of divine assignments. Elder Victor Hanson Asante served the Lord and his generation. We know we shall meet again on that Glorious Day.

Rest well in the Lord Elder. Amen.



TRIBUTE BY THE GHANA AIR FORCE TO THE LATE 160882 WARRANT OFFICER CLASS I ASANTE VICTOR HANSON

2 Timothy 4:7-8 (NIV)

“Do nothing out of selfish ambition... but in humility value others above yourselves.”

It is with profound sorrow and deep respect that we pay tribute to the late 160882 WOI Asante Victor Hanson, a distinguished soldier whose unwavering dedication, professionalism, and selfless service left an enduring legacy. Beyond his exceptional military career, he was a man of integrity who fostered strong bonds with both his colleagues and superiors, earning their admiration and respect. As we mourn his passing, we also celebrate a life well lived, one marked by honour, solidarity, and an unwavering commitment to duty. Indeed, he has fought the good fight, finished the race, and kept the faith. As comrades, family members and other beloved persons of the late Asante, we take comfort in knowing that his legacy will forever remain in our hearts.

The late WOI Asante was recruited into the Ghana Armed Forces and passed out on 12 March 1962 as part of the Administration Wing. By dint of hard work and perseverance, he rose through the ranks to attain the enviable rank of Warrant Officer Class I on 18 Oct 1978.

The late WOI Asante attended all military courses commensurate to his rank. With substantial knowledge in his field, he played a crucial role in the success of several administration and military exercises. His expertise and dedication greatly contributed to the efforts of the Administration Wing. He led by example, ensuring that tasks were executed efficiently, and that discipline and teamwork remained at the core of operations.

His commitment to excellence and unblemished service to the Colours earned him the prestigious Ghana Revolution Day, and Long Service and Good Conduct Medal, testaments to his integrity, discipline, and unwavering loyalty to the Ghana Armed Forces.

The late WOI Asante will be fondly remembered as a devoted soldier, a dependable colleague, and a compassionate leader. Among his peers, he was more than just a comrade; he was a mentor, a confidant, and a pillar of strength who inspired those around him with his dedication, discipline, and unwavering commitment to duty. His ability to foster solidarity and teamwork made him a respected figure within his section and beyond.

To his family, he was a source of love, support, and wisdom—an anchor whose presence brought warmth and stability. His values of integrity, perseverance, and selflessness will continue to guide those he left behind.

Rest well till we meet again

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AN ODE TO V. H. ASANTE (ALIAS V. H.) BY MR. OLU-LUTHERKING, MD, FINE PRINTS INDUSTRIES

Mr V. H. Asante was introduced to me by Mr Adjei-Sefa, who was the then deputy Chief Executive to Mr. Nana Amo, who was the Chief Executive of the Ghana National Procurement Agency. This made possible for our paths to cross in the mid 80s when our company was having commercial transactions with Ghana National Procurement Agency.

V. H. was a great professional and gentleman to the core. He and his able assistant Mr Tawiah would take me step by step through the tendering process of the various items that they tended on my behalf. He would make sure that they explained everything to my full understanding and would further ask for my opinions. He would always take my suggestions into consideration and all this he did very professionally and voluntarily, without any inkling of “wo nma me hwee”.

Looking back, this system helped us to have more value for the money being spent. It also helped us to make sure we got the best quality at the quickest delivery time. It also helped us to know more efficient, reliable and prompt suppliers. It was a wonderful, efficient and professional learning experience in the wand we later on adopted it in the purchasing system of Fine Print.

We eventually became good friends. He himself became like a senior brother to me and his children became my junior brothers. Additionally, Mr Tawiah and I would always go, either in the company of GNPA retired staff association, or by ourselves alone, to visit him at home and felicitate.

I remember once, after my own spine surgical operation I went to visit him and I was feeling unwell. I slept on a couch on his veranda and he rather became my nurse. He kept a keen eye on me and served me tea, biscuits and medication while I recuperated for two hours. Also, he had a blood pressure monitoring machine which I admired very much, and when I requested to have one, he promptly agreed to get me the machine from the USA. I was personally surprised when Mr. Tawiah brought me the machine as a present from Mr V. H. Asante.

Painfully, I heard of his sad, quiet departure when myself and Mr. Tawiah were just preparing to visit him the following week.

Mr V. H. Asante may your soul continue to rest in the most perfect peace, and may the guiding angels continue to watch over you, and look after the family you left behind. Myself and my company, Fine Print Company Limited appreciate the various contributions you made in guiding and shaping our professional tendering and business approach systems.

We miss you, we shall constantly remember you and keep you in our hearts, and are ready and always willing to stand and guide, felicitate with your family and be ready to be with them anytime we are called upon.

V. H., may your soul rest in perfect peace, Amen.

TRIBUTE TO MR. V. H. ASANTE FROM A COLLEAGUE AND BROTHER-IN-CHRIST EBENEZER KWEKU ARKAIFIE

I had the honour of working with Mr. V. H. Asante at the Ghana National Procurement Agency (GNPA Ltd) from 1981 to 2006. He served diligently as a Purchasing Manager while I worked as the Storekeeper. Throughout those 25 years, he proved to be not only a professional of integrity but also a dependable colleague and dear friend.

Our bond extended beyond the workplace—we lived together at Ashaley Botwe Newtown, from 1981 until 2025 the time of his passing. Over those four decades, I came to know him as a vibrant, sociable, and deeply committed individual. He was full of life, always ready to offer help and leadership when needed.

Mr. Asante played a vital role in the growth and unity of our community. As the second Chairman of the Landlords Association of Ashaley Botwe Newtown, after the Late Dr. Kofi Sekyi-Aidoo. I had to serve as his secretary. We worked tirelessly to improve the living standards and foster harmony in the neighborhood.

His devotion to God was unwavering. As a dedicated leader in the Church of Pentecost, he helped strengthen the Christian fellowship within the community. Through his vision and commitment, we were able to establish the Local Council of Churches in Ashaley Botwe Newtown. This ecumenical body brought together several denominations for annual crusades and spiritual celebrations that unified the township under the banner of Christ.

Thanks to his efforts, churches such as the Church of Pentecost, Emmanuel Methodist Church (which I was a leader), St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Church, Anglican Church, Apostolic Church, Evangelical Presbyterian Church Ewe congregation, and Presbyterian Church Ga Assembly came together in powerful, united worship. Through these annual events, Mr. Asante helped to spiritually anchor and transform our community—truly winning Ashaley Botwe township for Christ.

His impact is lasting. He leaves behind a legacy of faith, service, leadership, and love. We are grateful for the life he lived and the light he shared with us all.

***Now praise we great and famous men,
The fathers named in story.
And praise the Lord, who now as then,
Reveals in man His glory.
Methodist Hymn Book 896 (Stanza 1)***

**TRIBUTE IN HONOUR OF ELDER (RTD) VICTOR HANSON
ASANTE – COP ASHALEY BOTWE N.T. ACCRA
FROM: AN ADOPTED SON – APOSTLE. DR. ISAAC AGYAPONG,
PHD, FIOD, ACIIG GENERAL OVERSEER, GOSPEL
RESULTS CHURCH, GHANA**

LORD, let me know my [life's] end And [to appreciate] the extent of my days; Let me know how frail I am [how transient is my stay here]. Psalm 39:4 (Amplifier Bible).

How apt the above-stated scripture is, in characterizing the well-lived life of Ex. WO1 (Elder) Victor Hanson Asante, whose departure into glory we are celebrating today. He lived a careful life on earth conscious of his divinely assigned mandate to serve both Ghana and the Church of the Lord.

In 1996 I assumed the presidency of PENZA-LEGON in University of Ghana. As part of our short-term goals, the leadership agreed that we needed to deepen our relationship with our mother Church – The Church of Pentecost. To achieve that we created several interventions, one of which was the novel concept of PENZA Missionaries. By this we meant dispatching some of our brethren to the local assemblies around Legon to help with Sunday Adult Bible Class; Sunday School [Children] Teaching; Church Preparatory Prayer Leadings for Sunday Service; and occasional Joint-Town Rallies and so on. To kickstart the PENZA Missionary initiative, PENZA-LEGON senior envoys were dispatched to towns and communities around LEGON to seek audience with the presiding elders. It was on this emissary duties that I, as PENZA-LEGON President, was detailed to engage Ashaley Botwe NT Assembly, which had Elder V. H. Asante as the Presiding Elder. What a gentleman and a father we met! He received our delegation warmly and assured us of immediate acceptance, and further approval from the Local Presbytery. This is how Elder Asante came into my life. The rest they say is history.

He used to invite me a lot to come and preach at the local assembly – and this continued beyond LEGON. Based in Kumasi at the time, anytime I came around I have to come home and sleep, before going to Akonta Asare's house. His dutiful and blessed wife – AUNTIE AGGIE wouldn't let me go either. With time I became part of the Asante family – and all the siblings took me as of their own senior brothers.

Daa Asante was highly principled, disciplined, and a man of action. This came from his military background as an Air man. Anytime we sat in his sleek car in the 90s, he would use aviation and aerodynamic terms like "Gentlemen, ready for departure", "Power set" "Airspeed alive", "V1" etc. And he would add, "that's how we do it in the Airforce." He loved revival and powerful sermons, although he spoke calmly and was resolute in his decision-making. He was a good conversationalist and knew how to hunt for talents. When I graduated with my first degree in 1998 at Legon, he came to join my biological father "to back me". Anytime I had a tough social case to handle, I would dash to him for his opinion. With military precision and Holy Ghost prompting, he would dissect the core issues and opionate accordingly. Daa Asante, space is unkind to me, I would have written thousands of pages in honour of your memory. Elder Asante you've fought the good fight of faith. Don't worry we would take good care of Auntie Aggie – your beloved wife. Fare the well Daa.

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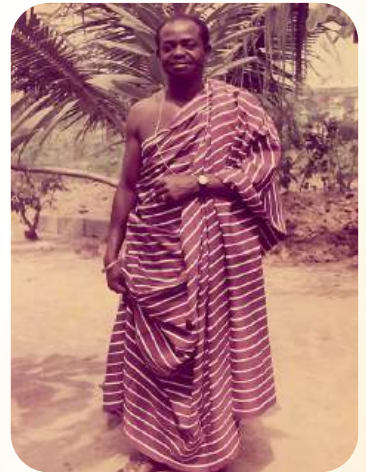


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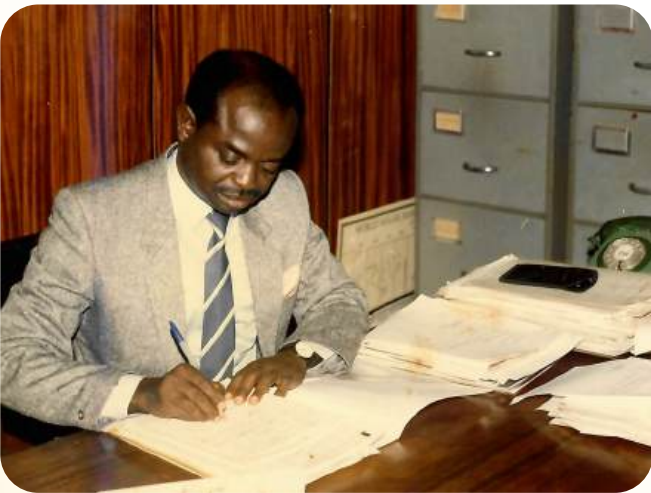


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— Appreciation —



We extend our heartfelt gratitude for your prayers, support, and kindness to our family throughout the preparations and burial rites of our beloved Ex-WO1 (Elder) Victor Hanson Asante.

Your comforting presence, thoughtful gestures, and words of encouragement brought us great strength during this difficult time. We are deeply grateful for every call, visit, donation, and prayer.

May God richly bless you for standing with us and honoring his memory in such a meaningful way.



**THE FAMILY OF THE
LATE EX-WO1 (ELDER) VICTOR HANSON ASANTE**

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