

COLLINS CHABANE MUNICIPALITY MAYOR CLLR MOSES MALULEKE: OFFICIAL FUNERAL OF PROFESSOR BARRY HANYANE.

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Programme Directors

Let me start by greeting the bereaved Hanyane Family, siblings, children and extended families.

Respected honourable Political heads of different spheres of Government (Mayors, Premiers and extended greetings to MECs, Ministers and Councilors).

Different political formations.

Faith-based leaders

Leaders of different institutions of higher learning as well as representatives of different private sectors.

All Media houses.

Fellow mourners and all those that have logged on to the live streaming

Avuxeni.

Programme Director let me start by thanking the Hanyane family for the special gift to life called Professor Barry Hanyane. Let Me also thank the family for having allowed him in his teen and youth to participate in the struggle for better education and to his continued involvement in the post-1994 struggle to improve the quality of life of the people of this country and specifically communities in the rural areas through education.

it is a privilege to pay the tribute to my friend and colleague Professor Barry Hanyane as he leaves this world and ascend back to the creator.

The Professor is erudite, often brilliant! He was unfailingly generous, witty, a skilled speaker who can hold an audience rapt and truly an excellent scholar of our generation.

Professor Barry Hanyane, I believe, had a sensitive understanding of the politics of Malamulele before it was converted into Collins Chabane Local Municipality following the 2015/16 struggle for the Municipality.

He recognized the complexity of the situation in Malamulele.

I was always impressed by his intelligent grasp of the political dynamics of our area and which, fortunately, gave birth to the crafting of a document that led to the people of Malamulele receiving their own Municipality which is now called Collins Chabane Local Municipality.

Fellow mourners, allow me to publicly confirm that Professor Barry Hanyane worked hand in hand with the then Malamulele Task Team during the struggles of local communities in Malamulele who demanded that their respective municipalities re-demarcated from the existing local demarcation arrangements in South Africa.

It was through his writing capacity, his intellectualism, his level of education as well as his passion for development in rural areas that people of Malamulele ended up receiving their own Municipality.

In 2017, Prof Barry Hanyane led a group of former learners of Xingwezi High School in Malamulele under Collins Chabane Local Municipality and they arrived at the school with a load full of toiletries, full school uniforms for learners, body lotions and a lots of second hand clothing and other stuff which they handed over to the needy learners.

Prof Hanyane said as products of the school they felt indebted to the school and thought of ploughing back to the school that shaped their lives.

Open quote “We know of the conditions here in the rural areas as we experienced this personally. Poverty is at its worst in these areas and we felt we should do something for our brothers and sisters at this school which made us what we are today.” Close quote.

He emphasized the importance of the school in their foundation years and said the school gave them a sanctuary and refuge when they were young.

Professor Hanyane was known for being able to peruse not just the memoranda of his university department, but also all the memoranda for all forms of government.

He would comment about each one of us as head of government with full understanding as he had read it all.

The Professor therefore can now lay claim, like few can, to being consistent as well as being an honourable gentleman. How we shall miss him.

We lost an audacious roaring giant, a gallant fighter and an embodiment of impeccable revolutionary values of honesty, hard work, diligence, humility and working for unity.

Etlela hi ku rhula wena Hanyane.

Inkomo.

