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## Oba Efuntola deserves this...

**As do all of our sacred elders, our children and our community at large; and yes, YOU deserve this.**

My Father was a visionary. He understood the importance of speaking out about our culture and traditional customs and values. However, Oba Wo Aja also believed that all press was good press. Although this allowed our culture to leak into mainstream media, it did not always seek to necessarily reflect the positivity and richness that our tradition encompasses.

Last night as we watched the Lifetime TV Network's 'The Week the Women Went' program, I could feel my Father's approval. It was as if he was sitting next to me and said FINALLY!



Last night marked a pivotal point in history. Oba Efuntola deserves this for the 54 years of sacrificing his LIFE for the greater good of our collective. Chief Medahochi Zannu, Queen Mother Moore, Chief Awolowo, Iyalode of Buffalo, Chief Ajamu, Mama Keke, Baba Alafia, and others. Iba ara torun.

We are ever reminded that this culture we love so much, we are able to live, celebrate and PRACTICE it on this continent, was worked for, fought for, bled for, cried for, sacrificed for; and many people willingly gave their life to this sacred work! Because we overstand that this DIDN'T HAPPEN OVERNIGHT we celebrate today.

We celebrate the opportunity to accurately teach and educate the greater

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community of what we do back here in these sticks. And what we continue to do across the globe as Yoruba descendants in this foreign land.

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