

“Albert would have rejected today’s violence...” Mrs Albert Lutuli.



Chief M G Buthelezi sharing a happy moment with Mrs Albert Lutuli.

The widow of ANC President Chief Albert Lutuli, Mrs Nokukhanya Lutuli, 81, says her husband would never have identified with the present policies of the External Mission of the ANC.

In an interview with the *Durban Daily News* at her Groutville home, Mrs Lutuli, 81, added that he also would not have condoned the violence which exists in South Africa today.

“Like my husband, I am sick and tired of violence. Albert worked towards a better South

Africa by negotiation, not by the barrel of a gun which the ANC of today is doing. It makes me very sad indeed. I am glad my husband has not lived to see what’s happening to the present-day ANC.”

Chief Lutuli was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1960 and died in 1967 when he was hit and killed by a train near his home. His funeral was attended by dignitaries from many parts of the world.

Chief M G Buthelezi, who was advised by Chief Lutuli and assisted him for many years, was asked to deliver the funeral oration. Later, when the

OAU made a posthumous award to Chief Lutuli, Mrs Lutuli asked Chief Buthelezi to accompany her to the ceremony in Maseru, Lesotho.

In her interview Mrs Lutuli said she was now waiting to die.

“I’m tired of seeing the violence that exists in the world,” she said. A once-dynamic woman, she played an active role in her husband’s affairs.

Mrs Lutuli added that State President P W Botha should “... stop fighting to maintain apartheid. Its silly and it involves the loss of lives of innocent people.”