



Alphonso Francis, Sr.

April 25, 1942 - March 4, 2025

Ebeanjo Alphonso Francis, Sr. was born on April 25, 1942, in Earling, Antigua, to George Morris and Adora "Gladys" Price. Growing up in Antigua shaped his character, instilling in him the values of hard work, family devotion, and community that would guide his entire life.

in 1964, seeking better opportunities and a chance to build a future, Alphonso made the decision to move to St. Croix. During a visit back to Antigua, he met Merna Stevens - an encounter that would change both their lives forever. Married in 1969, their union would span fifteen years, creating a legacy of love and family that would become Alphonso's greatest pride.

Known affectionately as "One Man" - a nickname rumored to come from his grandfather's saying, "Is only one man in this house and it's me" - Alphonso embodied that independent spirit throughout his life. He was a true entrepreneur, raising cattle and goats, opening his own grocery shop, and establishing a successful business in St. Croix.

His work ethic was matched only by his generosity - after closing his food truck each day, he made sure no leftover food went to waste, sharing it freely with family members and anyone in need.

Alphonso found joy in cooking for others, watching cricket matches and

playing dominoes with friends and family. But perhaps what defined him most was his wisdom and readiness to offer advice to those who needed it.

His legacy continues through his children: Steadroy, Asbert, Alphonso, Jr., David, and Jamila; and his grandchildren Jayla, RJ, Kenneth, Jr., Jalyn, Kamal, David Jr., and Shermal; and siblings: Gloria, Malcolm, George, Genevience, Cadella, Michael, and Geraldine. He was preceded in death by his brothers Henry, David, Denfield, and Lawrence and his granddaughter Rasheeda.

Though Alphonso has left this earthly realm, his spirit lives on through the lives he touched and the values he instilled in us all. We will remember his entrepreneurial spirit, his love of family, and his joy in life's simple pleasures.

May his soul rest in peace, and may his memory be a blessing to us all.

Parents: George Morris and Adora "Gladys" Price

Siblings: Gloria Bruney, Malcolm Tonge, George Tonge, Genevieve Christian, Henry Morris (deceased), David Morris (deceased), Denfield Morris (deceased), Lawrence Morris (deceased), Cadella Morris, Michael "Ullie" Tonge, Geraldine Francis

Children: Steadyroy Roberts (Natasha Roberts), Asbert Francis (Lydia Peters-Francis), Alphonso Francis, Jr., David Francis (Maribel Francis), Jamila Miller (Kenneth Miller)

Grandchildren: Jalya Roberts, Rasheeda Roberts (deceased), Steadyroy "RJ" Roberts, Jr., Kenneth Miller, Jr., Jalyn "JJ" Roberts, Kamal Francis, Shermal Francis, David Francis, Jr.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 12. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Solid Rock United Methodist Church
440 S. Kirkman Road
Orlando, FL 32811

Service

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“ TO KNOW UNCLE FONSO WAS ENJOY LAUGHTER. AND GOOD FOOD. I LOVED THE LOUDNESS OF HIM AND DADDY (HENRY) MORRIS ENJOYING THEMSELVES. WHEN I LAST SAW HIM, WE REMINISCED; THEN WE LAUGHED TOGETHER ABOUT MY RUNNING INTO HIS (& HIS BROTHERS') OLD FRIEND FROM SWEETS, ANTIGUA. I WILL HIS BOOMING VOICE & LAUGHTER. LAUGH ON A YOUR BROTHERS, UNCLE FONSO. SENDING GOD'S GRACE TO MY COUSINS ORLENA

ORLE - May 08, 2025 at 07:19 AM

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“ My Godfather spoiled me. I will cherish all the fond memories we shared. A light that brightened my childhood.
Love you forever,
Dunica Charles (Centy Granddaughter)

Dunica Charles - April 10, 2025 at 11:28 PM