



Dexter E. Bailey

January 28, 2016

Dexter E. Bailey, 74, of Toledo, OH died Thursday, January 28, 2016. He was born in Christiana, Manchester, Jamaica, son of Muriel Agatha Ellis and Leonard Bailey. In 1965, Dexter married Joan V. Turner at Baillieston Church in Clarendon, Jamaica. They have three children and migrated from Jamaica to the United States in 1968.

In Jamaica, Mr. Bailey was a driver for Rival Bakery, SamFo Bakery and Spaulding Bakery and a self-employed truck operator. He was employed by Meilink Industries in Whitehouse, Ohio from 1968 to 1991, where he served as a Local Union Officer with United Steelworkers of America. Moreover, Dexter built a successful real estate company -- Bailey's Rentals.

Dexter was extensively and intimately involved in a number of organizations in his community. He was a devoted member of Bethany Lutheran Church for over 40 years, serving on the Church Council multiple terms. Dexter served as President of the Toledo West Indian American Cricket Club and was a Member of the Toledo Co-op Credit Union Board. Dexter owned the Jamaican Cricket Club from 1997 to 2005 when he established Dexter's Jamaican Restaurant. Mr. Bailey never lost his passion for his homeland, Jamaica, and frequently organized tours from the U.S. to the island.

He leaves his beloved wife of 50 years, Joan Bailey; his children, Jannice Bailey-Zegeye, Dexter Bailey Jr., Kathy McFadden, and Sheryl Bailey; and his grandchildren, Abrihet, Ysaac, Desta, Cole, Brehan, Aria, Severin, Kerry and Leon. Dexter comes from a large family and leaves behind several loving

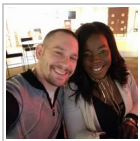
siblings. He is also survived by many additional caring relatives and friends. Viewing will be Friday, February 5, 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., at Dale-Riggs Funeral Home, Inc., 572 Nebraska Avenue, Toledo, OH 43604 (419-248-4254). Funeral service will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 6 at Bethany Lutheran Church, with Pastor Stacy Lauer-Scovanner presiding. Interment will be in the family plot in Precious Plains, St. Elizabeth, Jamaica. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Bethany Lutheran Church, 3274 Upton Avenue, Toledo, OH 43613 (419-472-4191).
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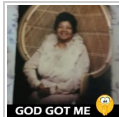
“ I will always remember him as a dear friend who had a zest for life. He always had a joyful spirit , huge smile, big heart, and always made you feel welcomed no matter where our paths would cross. He was well known and loved by many many people. He will be missed for sure. To his wife and family....my heart goes out to you. It's never easy saying farewell to someone who is loved. May God give you strength encouragement and peace through this difficult time. Janice

janice gayle - February 02, 2016 at 11:19 AM



“ Dexter was a great man. He treated me as one of his own and was always high spirited whenever I saw him. His passing is sad , but his greatness will live on! Rest peacefully uncle Dexter.

Melissa Redmond - February 02, 2016 at 06:55 AM



Dexter Bailey was a good man. In everything that he was part of. Will truly miss him.

Veronica Fultz-Moss - February 04, 2016 at 07:00 PM

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Dexter is my cousin, but was like a big brother to me. We grew up together, living in our Grandmas' house. He made it his job to keep me out of trouble and was always there for me. Although we did not get together after leaving Jamaica, we recently "met up" via skype. I will remember Dexter always and may he now rest in peace.

FREDERICK WILSON - February 06, 2016 at 04:20 AM