



IN LOVING MEMORY OF



LIONEL OLIVE, SR.

JANUARY 27, 1942 - DECEMBER 17, 2004

**FUNERAL SERVICES:
WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 22, 2004**

**VIEWING:
8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.
JOHN THOMAS MEMORIAL CHAPEL**

**SERVICES:
10:00 A.M.
SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CATHEDRAL**

**INTERMENT
WESTERN CEMETERY #3**



SURVIVORS

Wife

Aurea Sarah Olive

Daughter

Sarah Theresa Olive

Vilma Gimenez Shank

*Son AND Daughter in Law
Lionel Olive Jr. AND Sheryl Olive*

Mother

Ann Sylvanie Aubain

Step- Father

Jules Aubain

Sisters

Marie Betty Cruz, Carmen Aubain, Joan Sibilly, Irene Aubain, Christine Aubain, and
Carol Vanterpool

Brothers

Eddie, Johnny, Jimmy, Raymond, David, Bill and Danny Aubain

Sisters-In-Law

June, Freida, Paula and Marjorie Aubain

Brothers-In-Law

Juan Cruz, Pedro Montalvo and Reynaldo Montalvo

Grandchildren

Rebekah, Lawrence II, Lauren Olive and Sarah Eliza

Great Grandchildren

Lazonique, Lazon, and Shawn 'te

Aunt

Bernadette Aubain

Uncle

Joseph Greaux

Cousins

Marcel, Dennis and Anthony Olive, Margarita Magras and Bernadette Olive

Special Friends

Denny Bryan and Edward Blanchard

Many Nieces, Nephews, Godchildren, Relatives and Friends

Pallbearers

Lionel Olive Jr., Bill Aubain, Danny Aubain, Denny Bryan, Anthony Olive, Marcel Olive,
James Vante and Reynaldo Turbe

Honorary Pallbearers

Eddie, Johnny, Jimmy, Raymond and David Aubain, Lawrence Olive II and Louis R. Danet, Jr.

LIONEL OLIVE, SR.

The son of Ann Sylvania Greaux Aubain and Augustine Olive, Lionel was born on January 27, 1942, one of fourteen children. His life was one of giving and assisting others in a time of need. Although he resisted at first, the persistence of his step-father, developed Lionel into a top notch mechanic. Throughout his adult life, Lionel became known and respected for his ability to repair anything from a boat engine to the most complex piece of heavy equipment.

Shortly after his birth, his father fell ill and died before Lionel was three months old. In his formative years, he attended Sts. Peter and Paul Grammar and High School. During that period, his mother married Jules Aubain, also known as "Sam". It was the love of his step-father that guided and developed Lionel into a caring and generous individual. While employed at Tropical Motors, Jules brought Lionel to the mechanic shop after school and insisted that the young man apply himself and work with them. His mother recalls how Lionel would cry that his hands were dirty and this was not the job he enjoyed.

Between perfecting his skills, he worked at Morgan -Yates, the company that would later become Antilles Gas, selling propane to individual homes. Lionel later joined Lucy's Market Corporation. It was there he met his lifetime sweetheart, Aurea Sarah. They were married on July 30, 1960. For forty-four years, Lionel and Sarah lived a wonderful life, their union produced two children: Lionel G. Olive and Sarah Teresa Olive.

Lionel left Lucy's Market in 1964 and spent the next thirty years at the Water and Power Authority. At WAPA, Lionel sharpened his knowledge to become one of the island's top mechanics. He held the position as foreman overseeing all the vehicles in the public utility's fleet. A short while after his retirement, he returned to assist with the restoration of the islands following Hurricane Marilyn in 1995. Lionel's desire to learn more about the mechanic industry grew as his professional development was influenced by Carlos Giminez, another top notch mechanic at the Water and Power Authority. In fact, Giminez, played a pivotal role in Lionel's employment at WAPA.

Over time and again with Carlos Giminez's guidance, Lionel would become an Evinrude specialist. It was during this time that Lionel began to assist fishermen time and again in maintaining and repairing their fishing boat engines. He serviced the engines, repaired them and made recommendations to the company for better service.

Lionel was a member of the Apaches softball club and traveled with them to participate in tournaments throughout the Caribbean. He was also a member of the V.I. Game Fishing Club and participated in numerous tournaments. A skilled fisherman, Lionel and his son were always among the winners in the annual Father's Day and Bastille Day fishing tournaments in Frenchtown and the North Side.

There was an element in Lionel's character...he just could not say no. He volunteered his services to anyone from friend to stranger. Whenever someone needed assistance, Lionel Olive was a phone call away.

Some time back, he was honored by the V.I. Fire Services for his contributions and in reflecting on those days, Gingi, recalls, "when the sirens sounded...Lionel would simply say, Let's go!

Lionel was also a lover of Carnival. He was especially proud with an entry which was an actual rebuilding of a 1904 vehicle. The entry was titled, "One More Time."

Today we gather to celebrate the life of our beloved Lionel. We can easily see that he lived a complete life, cared and provided for his family, and was a kind, generous and caring individual. Our prayers are now for the repose of his soul. May he rest in peace.