# The Carnegie Clan







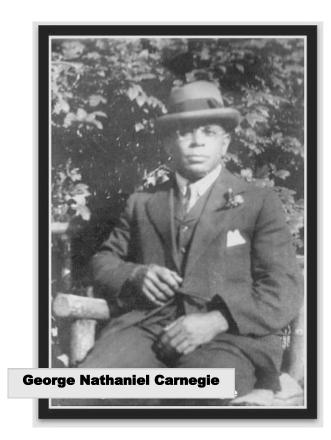


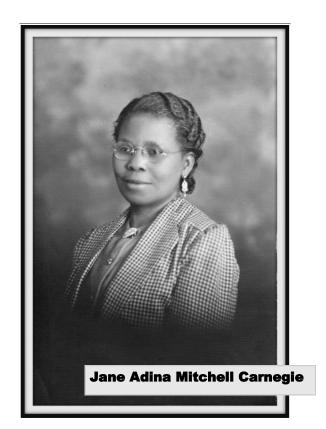


Our International Journey

# Featuring the descendants of Jamaican born







This historical journal was created by Bernice Y. Carnegie for the enjoyment of the Carnegie Family and their descendants and relations. Some of the content was compiled from inherited documents, photos and tall tales passed on at the dinner table. Five generations of genealogy have been included based on our relationship to the lives of George and Adina Carnegie. In addition, family members have shared their personal stories of challenges and achievements providing inspiration and life lessons learned. This is intended to be a living document. Updates will happen periodically as family members wish to contribute additional information or when future generations pick up the gauntlet.

To my dear family . . . enjoy the journey!

# **Introducing the Carnegie Clan**

## **About George and Adina**

In 1912 my grandparents **George Nathaniel Carnegie** and **Jane Adina Mitchell** set their sights on new horizons when they emigrated from Jamaica West Indies to settle in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Many Black families wherever they lived had challenges to overcome both racially and economically. George and Adina decided that Canada would provide new opportunities for them and the family they anticipated having.

Old cargo manifests tell us that family members travelled by ship to New York, where as it turns out, all of George's younger siblings took up residence. However, for him, Canada was the country of choice.

George and Adina were married on January 1, 1913 in the County of York, Toronto, at ages twenty-four and twenty-three. As was common for the times they assumed the traditional roles of husband and wife. George with his grade four education secured a job with Toronto Hydro as a janitor, where he worked for 42 years. His entrepreneurial spirit eventually proved him to be more than an adequate provider for his stay-at-home wife. He became an astute business man by buying and renting properties all over the Greater Toronto Area.

George had a strong sense of family from the beginning, bringing with him his first child Eric born in Jamaica from a youthful fling. Jane Adina lovingly raised that child as her own and she and George went on to have six more children and were known to take in foster children from whom they subsequently adopted two more children. George was strict but fair, while Adina's kind and nurturing spirit resulted in her being adored by all. They were married for 44 years until she became ill and died in 1957.

As their family started to grow, George and Adina moved from downtown Toronto from 5 Federal Street, where my father Herb was born, to the northern suburbs of Willowdale/Lansing. First they lived in a small shack-like home on Parkview Avenue. While there, Grandpa George had a large home built on Empress Avenue later to be numbered 215. This is where he and Adina raised their family from 1924-1936. At that time, there were only a few homes in the area separated by miles of fields, a fast running creek and a dirt road, now a thoroughfare commanding property values worth millions. The early years saw 215 as a hobby farm complete with a cow, chickens, rabbits, vegetable gardens and fruit trees, beckoning neighbours to come by the Carnegie Homestead for milk, eggs and produce. They were the only Black family in the community that we know of at that time.

Although George did not drive, when the boys became teenagers, he purchased a car for the family. Initially my father Herb went to the high school two blocks down the road and attended Earl Haig but when he was enticed with incentives to play hockey at Northern Vocational School located at Mount Pleasant and Eglinton several miles away, my father actually drove to school. Considering the times a Black family owning property and a car would have been a notable feat.

One day my father shared with me that when my grandfather was ready to sell their home in Willowdale all the family were in anticipation of moving to the upscale house he owned in Forest Hill, but their hearts sunk when Grandpa George chose 40 Boswell a row house located at Bloor and Avenue Road. He also owned the adjoining property number 42. Grandpa George held onto those properties until his death in 1973 and rented them out as rooming houses. There is no record of when he sold his many acres of land in Willowdale on which for some years he cultivated orchards of fruit trees. George was no stranger to hard work and his adopted child David King recalled on several occasions he helped him spray the trees from dawn to dusk with his daughter Ethel.

He was also very "frugal" and David said he would walk to and from his work place at Toronto Hydro every day while residing at Boswell rather than take public transportation. He was known to be a strong, healthy and fit man that lived a good quality of life for 85 years.

Even in saying that, Grandpa George lost sight in one eye from a stone that skipped up from a horse drawn wagon delivering coal. Later in life his foggy glass eye made him seem a little scary and unapproachable by his grandchildren. He also eventually developed a cataract in the other eye giving him limited vision for a number of years. He lived to see more modern technology remove the cataract in his advanced senior years.

Grandpa George was certainly a trailblazer from whom there was much to learn. It is my hope that you will enjoy the family stories of this branch of the *Carnegie Clan*. Shared in these pages is the unique heritage of individuals who ventured down new paths and showed their determination to forge ahead against all odds to lead successful and fulfilling lives.

Bernice Yvonne Carnegie
Third grandchild of George and Adina Carnegie
Daughter of Herbert H. Carnegie

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Early home of my grandparents where my father was born in 1919

#### Excerpt from - A Fly In a Pail of Milk—Autobiography of Herb Carnegie pg 25

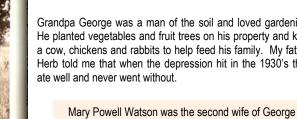
Our Parkview Avenue house was little better than a shack with dark, flat roof, and white and green trimmed windows. It stood on an acre of fertile land with an elm tree at the back where Papa fashioned a swing by attaching a rope and an old car tire to a branch. That's where we played, fought and acted like the kids we were. Just beyond the Elm tree, he planted a garden of corn, carrots, celery, cabbages, beets, onions, potatoes, parsley and more.



Grandpa George moved his family from downtown Toronto to the northern suburb of Willowdale in 1920 when my father Herb was 2 months old and lived at Parkview Avenue.

Then he had this home (Photo left) built for his family in 1924.

Photo to the left is a later picture of the house which was originally on a dirt road surrounded by miles of fields and a nearby running stream. Initially homes did not have numbers and were identified by the family name — this was The Carnegie Homestead later to become 215 Empress Avenue.



Grandpa George was a man of the soil and loved gardening. He planted vegetables and fruit trees on his property and kept a cow, chickens and rabbits to help feed his family. My father Herb told me that when the depression hit in the 1930's they ate well and never went without.

after he retired and moved back to Jamaica.



George and Adina



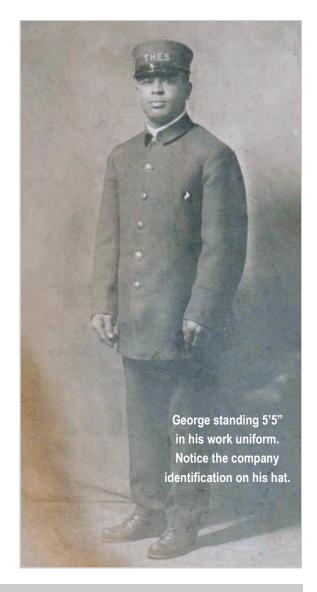
Jane Adina was the first wife of George known to be a very kind lady with a nurturing gentle personality. She attended the Baptist church with regularity on Sundays. Jane became ill and died at the age of 68 on October 22, 1957.



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# George and Toronto Hydro - Electric System





# Excerpts from Herb Carnegie's autobiography — A Fly in a Pail of Milk Sharing his father's thoughts about working with Toronto Hydro

My father, a light-skinned man of the soil, worked as a janitor for the Toronto Hydro commission from 1912 until 1954. Pop loved his job as much as a poke in the eye with a sharp stick— in other words, he hated it. But with only a Grade 4 education, his options in life were limited. The horizons of some coloured men fell significantly short of those of their white counterparts; coloured men worked mostly as porters and chauffeurs, and occasionally, as nightclub entertainers and boxers.

Papa hated his job because it was mundane and he was forced to stick with it because he had a large family to support. Frustrated by his own lack of education, he feared that his children

might be trapped in the same position in which he found himself. While we were having fun, he lived in the world beyond, where race mattered. And that reality and that fear explained his regular lectures to us: "Stay in school, get a good education" were almost daily exhortations.

Occasionally, he'd be more dramatic: he'd rise from the dinner table, reach for the broom and toss it at whichever of his children he wanted to impress. "Here!" he would half-shout: "This is what the boss will give you if you don't get an education." Papa's theatrics were so effective on me, I used them later in life with my own kids.

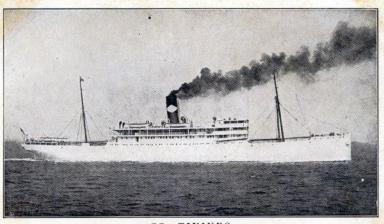
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#### **⚠** Adina Carnegie

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Name	Adina Carnegie
Arrival Date	07 Jan 1947
Arrival Port	Buffalo, New York,
Age	57
Birth Year (Estimated)	1890
Birthplace	, Jamaica
Birth Country	British West Indies
Gender	Female
Race	Canadian
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# **Grandfather of George Carnegie**

## **William Carnegie**

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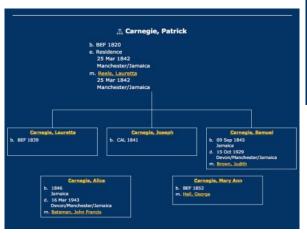
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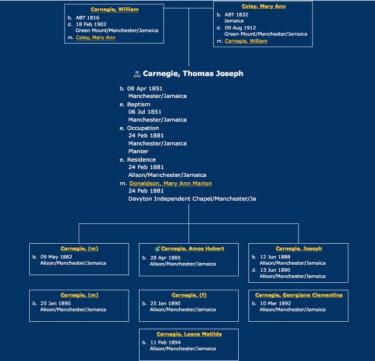
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1. Thomas Joseph Carnegie	Born 1851
2. Rachel Eliza Carnegie	Born 1853
3. James A. Carnegie	Born 1856
4. Matthew W. Carnegie	Born 1859



George's father





Who is Patrick to George Carnegie?



#### Request to family members:

If you have more information or photos about our family, that you would like to add to our story, please contact Bernice Carnegie through website bernicecarnegie.com.

Thank you for providing additional information or <u>correcting/clarifying</u> current documentation. We would like to keep the story as credible and accurate as possible.

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Father of Matthew William Carnegie Grandfather of George Carnegie

# **Parents and Siblings of George Carnegie**

## **Union of Matthew and Alice at a Glance**



George's father



# **Matthew William Carnegie**

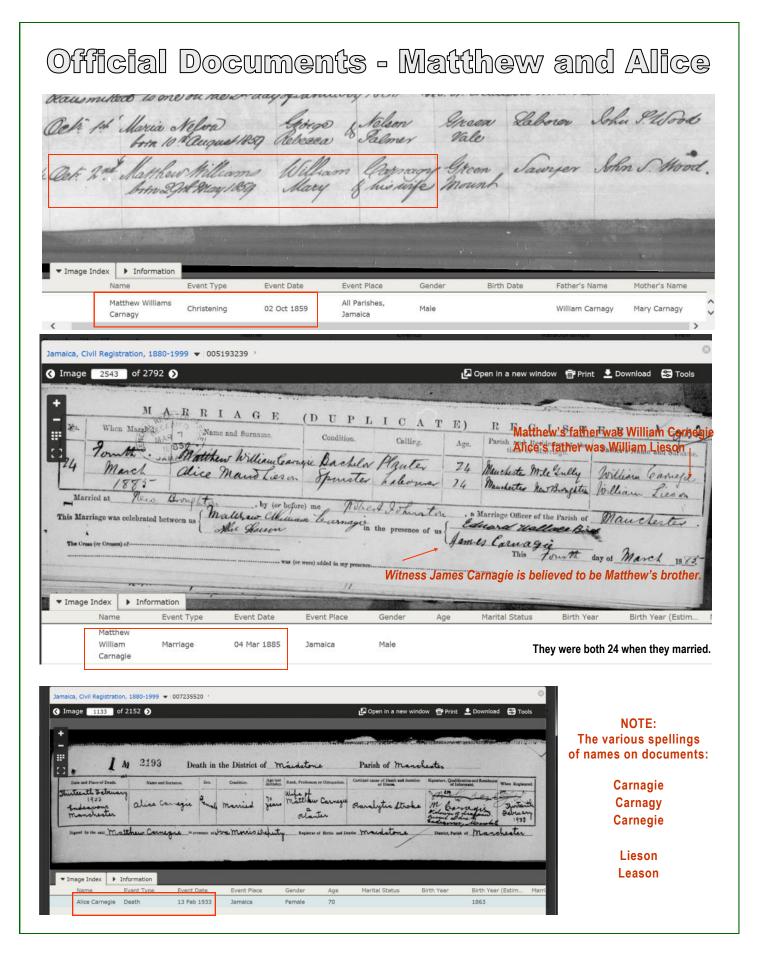
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## **Alice Maude Leason**



George's mother

1. James Samuel	No Children
2. George Nathaniel	Eric Ossie Ethel Bernice Herb Lillian Ross
3. Alice Maude	Ruth Orrett Charles Orrett
4. Mary Elizabeth	No children
5. Lillian Gertrude	Clarence Goulbourne Gwendolyn Goulbourne
6. Cecil Solomon	Joyce Cecilyn
7. Gladys May	Charles Smith
8. Violet Louise	No children
9. Willie Stanley	X1
Ferdie Evans (foster child)	2 sons & Daughter



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# **Siblings of George Carnegie**

#### **Matthew William Carnegie**

Jamaica 29 May 1859 — 1948 Planter / Carpenter

Father's Name: William Carnegie 1816—1902 Mother's Name: Mary Ann Coley 1832—1912

#### Alice Maude Leason

Jamaica 1863 — 13 Feb 1933 Labourer

Mathew and Alice were 24 when they married on March 4, 1885 in New Broughton, Manchester Jamaica. The wedding was attended by Edward Wallace Bird and brother James Carnagie. His occupation was listed as planter and hers as labourer.

They raised <u>ten</u> children; nine by birth and one foster child.

- 1. James Samuel Carnegie / Born Jamaica / Died 1914
  - ∞ Never married: no children
  - Came to Canada and became ill with Tuberculosis. He returned to Jamaica where he died in 1914.
- 2. George Nathaniel Carnegie / Born Jamaica 03 Nov 1886 / Died Jamaica December 16, 1973 (85 yrs)
  - Love child: Eric Albert
  - Emigrated to Toronto Canada 1912
  - Married: Jane Adina Mitchell Jan 1, 1913 / had 6 children: Oswald, Geraldine, Bernice, Herb, Lillian, Ross
  - Adopted children (2): Arthur King, David King
  - ⇒ Feature article "Introduction to the Carnegie Clan" pg 3
- 3. Alice Maude Carnegie / Born Jamaica / died USA Sept 11, 1915
  - ∞ Married: Frank Orrett / 2 children > Ruth / Charles (had a son Charles)
  - Was a devoted wife.
  - They came to Canada and later went to USA
  - She was a very strong minded individual and gave her parents problems

All George's younger siblings settled in the U.S.A.



#### 4. Mary Elizabeth Carnegie / Born Jamaica / Died USA January 1969

- ∞ Married (X2): Terrance Forbes / no children : James Meade / no children
- Occupation—domestic
- Married Forbes; in later years married James Meade (so called minister). Both took advantage of her.
- Aunt Gladys saw her sweeping 8th Avenue. She took her to a mental hospital where she died in 1969.
- 5. Lillian Gertrude Carnegie / Born Jamaica March 04, 1892 / Died New Jersey USA September 08, 1975
  - ∞ Married: Arnold Goulbourne / had 2 children > Clarence and Gwendolyn
  - Clarence Leason / born Jamaica Jun 1918 / married Katherine > They had a son Clarence Jr. who was in the army and stationed in Germany. He married a German makeup artist. He was surrounded with good looks.
  - Gwendolyn Lillian / born New York Jan 18, 1926 / married Van L. Turner, Jr. a government worker.
     > Had 3 Children: Richard, Linda, Jane (died at age 17)
     See Gwen's story

See Gwen's story on pg 17 >

#### **Letter to Lillian from Sister Vie 1934**

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the gotte know. I am sorry you have not seen Gladys t sun glady It is just terrible how she has acted from mother's death she has not send a letter to her father. She tried to exault her self above us all, but her action was so terrible that she is so ashame she can't write to her father. I believe in doing right if I am even to suffer for it. Before long you must suffer for it. I am very glad to hear how well the children are getting on. I saw Edith Turner out here she is looking well I am at Devon now, will be returning on Sunday I just had to take a change I needed it so. When I see you I will tell you of some of my ded it so when experiences Thave cried almost every day me of my since mother's death over the treatment I get before & after her death. I can't put it on paper but I tment & get before hope to see you and I wish I did not have to go back. I would like very much if Arnold could pay have to go lack me even 5 dollars per mth. Cant think how long I have waited from 1927-1934 until now 7 years I get nothing from any body I have no one to ask for any thing if he will pay me little little I will be satisfied. for any thing if he



Lillian Gertrude 1892-1975



and brother Clarence

\$675 he has for me \$30 from Papa daily 25 from Mary & you took \$20 on the boat the boat & 600 before tell him to make a little effort to pay me some thing for I need it I haven't got a sod to borrow from for Cecil use up every penny of his & borrow for father also & I need some money real bad.

Mrs. Petgrave & Miss Lucy Carnegie send their love for you I hope you will have a happy Easter Love to the Children Arnold & Mary & heaps for self I am always your dear of many for Sis Vie

What happen to Terrence not a line from him from he left his job. Say hello to him if you see him he left his got kay Hello

Be sure you give Willie things one to drink & one to rub. The Bay rum bottle to drink & don't know what bottle Iris put the other in.

I dear say if May comes home she might get well for I know some on that could help her & don't charge. Mag is expecting a baby. Write soon.

4 don't charge. Mag is experting a laby, write som



# Siblings of George Carnegie cont.

#### **Mathew William Carnegie**

Jamaica 1860 — 1948 Planter



#### **Alice Maude Leason**

Jamaica 1860 Labourer

#### 6. Cecil Solomon Carnegie / Born Jamaica / Died Jamaica 1982

- ∞ Married: Margaret (last name unknown) / had 2 Children
  - 1. Joyce Paisley (September 4, 1925) / 2 children / no children but had 6 step daughters / inherited a portion of her father's wealth / husband died
  - 2. Cecilyn (died age 34 as a result of birth control pills and cancer / Married Austen Phillip / one daughter Margaret inherited grandfather's wealth.



#### 7. Gladys May Carnegie / Born Jamaica January 20, 1896 / Died New York USA July 1994

- ∞ Married (X3): Charles Smith
  - Child: Charles Carnegie Smith by first husband (Nov 16, 1924 1970)
- ∞ Married David Johnston Sr. / Died 1973
- ∞ Married David Johnston Jr. (son of David Johnston Sr.)



#### 8 Violet Louise Carnegie / Born Jamaica / Died

- ∞ Married: Never
- Spent her life looking after her parents.
- She died at an early age of 39 years.

#### 9. Willie Stanley Carnegie / Born Jamaica / Died Jamaica

- ∞ Married: one child
- Found his wife unfaithful after one day of marriage
- He became mentally ill, was institutionalized in a very comfortable facility in New York and remained there. He would not talk but called out "Georgie" when visited by his brother.

#### 10. Ferdie Evans / Born Jamaica / Died USA 1980

- ∞ Married: Cynthia Evans (his cousin) a nurse
- She worked in Canada for a short while gaining entrance into the USA.
- Ferdie came to live with Matthew and Alice at age 8. He went to US on his own as a teenager.

Local News: Gannett Suburban Newspapers/ Wednesday, July 13, 1994 (10B)

## Gladys Mae Carnegie Johnson: retired real-estate agent

Gladys Mae Carnegie Johnson, moved to Yonkers in 1941. a retired real-estate agent and a longtime Yonkers resident, died Saturday at Lawrence Hospital in Bronxville. She was 98.

Mrs. Johnson was born Jan. 20, 1896, in Manchester, Jamaica, West Indies, to Matthew and Alice Leason Carnegie. She attended schools in Jamaica.

Mrs. Johnson immigrated to New York City about 1920. She

In 1953, she and David H. Johnson were married in New Jersey. Her husband died in

Mrs. Johnson was a self-employed real-estate agent for 60 years who retired at age 95. She owned several brownstone buildings in upper Manhattan.

"(Her work) kept her alive," said her niece, Gwendolyn Turner of Orlando, Fla. "She was extremely sociable."

Mrs. Johnson also enjoyed gardening and traveling, her family

In addition to her niece, Mrs. Johnson is survived by three grandchildren and several other

Her son, Charles Smith, died in 1974.

Cuccia Funeral Home in Yonkers handled the arrangements.

Trivia note: Gladys provided the original information about her siblings in an interview with her niece Bernice Isobel Carnegie Redmon in 1989. These notes were later passed down to her niece Bernice Yvonne Carnegie and are the basis for compiling this family journal.

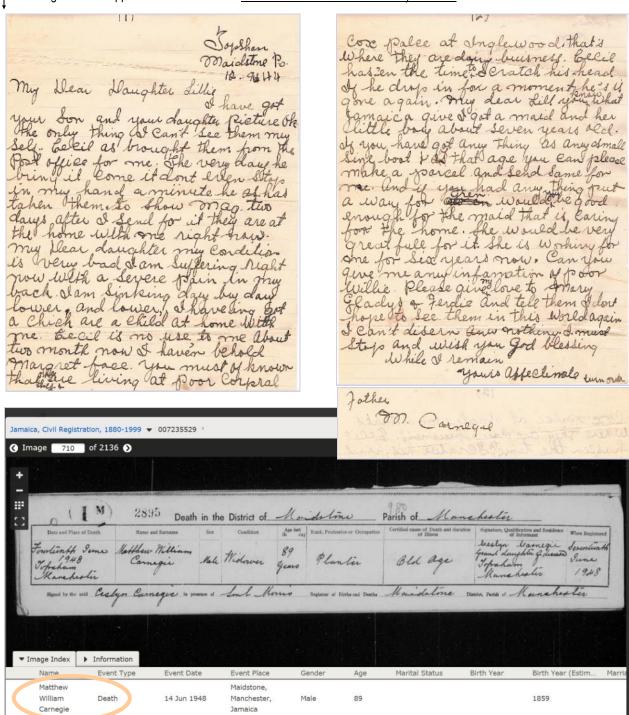


## **Matthew William Carnegie father of George**

#### A letter from Matthew Carnegie in his own hand writing to his daughter Lillian December 9, 1944.



He feels he is coming to the end of his life and is requesting help for his maid that has taken care of his home for six years and is asking for small boots for her child. He sends greetings to Mary, Gladys and Ferdie. He asks for information about *poor Willie* who has become mentally ill. Matthew sadly refers to son Cecil who does not seem to have the time of day for him or give much support in his time of need. Matthew died in 1948 almost four years later. See death document below.



## Meet Gwendolyn — niece of George and Adina

Niece of George Carnegie Daughter of Lillian Gertrude Carnegie Granddaughter of Matthew Carnegie

#### **Gwendolyn Lillian Goulbourne**

18 January 1926





Gwen's daughter and granddaughter

Linda Jacob & Ayesha Jacob

Trivia Note: Full birth name Gwendolyn Odessa Violet Lillian Goulbourne

Odessa / named after father's sister Violet / named after mother's sister Lillian / named after mother

The name was so long it was shortened to Gwendolyn Lillian Goulbourne Gwendolyn was born on January 18, 1926 in Manhattan, New York City. Her Jamaican mother travelled by way of Cuba and Ellis Island settling in New Jersey where she met her Jamaican husband. They worked as domestics, her father later becoming a carpenter. Amazingly they saved up their money and purchased two properties back to back and when she was 1 ½ years old, they moved to 306 W 138 Street to enjoy the fruits of their labour.

After graduating from Wadleigh High School in 1944, Gwen continued to follow her passion of lifelong learning and although she never graduated, attended a number of colleges and universities – Howard University, City College of New York, Hunter College and New York University. Her part time courses in liberal arts, math and legal studies, served her well while employed in a variety of positions. She worked with the United Nations legal department, Girl Scouts of America, U.S. Marine Department, New York University, and with the legal firm of Paul O'Dwyer.

Interestingly, Gwen worked at Ford Instrument Company, a division of Sperry Rand, Inc. from 1962-1969. She was a technical typist and she said that they were always working in secret. Gwen smilingly recalled, "It was only recently that I found out what the projects where that I worked on. While viewing the movie *Hidden Figures* I told my daughter that I used to type formulas just like that while employed at Ford Instrument. She went online and discovered that Ford Instrument Company was working with NASA on the space program during 1962-1969. After all these years I finally knew."

In 1948 Gwen married Van Lester Turner, Jr. and they moved to the Dorie Miller Cooperative in 1952. They became part of history as these were the first integrated cooperative apartments in the United States.

Gwen and Van had three children, Richard, Linda and Jane. Tragically Jane died in 1968 at the age of 17 from Lupus and this drastically altered the course of their lives. Gwen shared that she became so depressed that she had to get out of New York and went to St. Croix, U.S. V.I. She exclaimed, "I threw myself into my job. It was like a new life for me and I felt like a different person. I felt like I was finally home." Her husband born in Tennessee was not prepared to follow her and requested that she come back. Gwen still overcome with grief did not return to mainland U.S.A. until 43 years later at the age of 87 when she realized she wanted to be buried with her parents. While in St. Croix, Gwen was employed by the Hess Oil Virgin Islands Corp for twenty-one years in the human resources and legal departments. She retired at the age of 64.

Gwen says, "I am now 91 years of age and thank God I feel great. I now live amongst my daughter Linda and enjoy my eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Being retired is wonderful. I live in a lovely apartment (East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania). I go to church, water aerobics, AARP meetings and other social events. God has been very good to me and I appreciate every moment of it!"

From Gwen's written notes and interview with BC August 7, 2017

## Meet the children of George and Adina

# Union of George Nathaniel and Jane Adina at a Glance



# **George Nathaniel Carnegie**

Married in Toronto / January 1, 1913

## Jane Adina Mitchell



#### Trivia Note:

George and Adina had a child that died at birth. Her name was Lorraine.

1910 Eric Albert	No Children
1914 Ethel Geraldine	No Children
1915 Oswald Bertram	Diane Bertram Mitchell
1917 Bernice Isobel	Nathan
1919 Herbert Henry	Goldie Dale Bernice Rochelle
1923 Lillian Edith	Denise
1925 Ross Mitchell	George Chapman Adina

## A personal look at George and Adina's family

#### **George Nathaniel Carnegie**

Born Jamaica 08 November 1888 Died Jamaica 16 December 1973 85 years

#### **Jane Adina Mitchell**

Born Jamaica 09 October 1889 Died Toronto Canada 22 October 1957 68 years

Grandpa George had a son **Eric** before he came to Canada and started his family with Jane Adina.

They married January 1, 1913 in Toronto.

They raised nine children and frequently took in foster children.

- 1. Eric Albert (1910) 📀
- 2. Ethel Geraldine (1914)
- 3. Oswald Bertram (1915)
- 4. Bernice Isobel (1917)
- 5. Herbert Henry (1919)
- 6. Lillian Edith (1923)
- 7. Ross Mitchell (1925)
- 8. Arthur King (1927) / adopted
- 9. David King (1929) / adopted



Back Row: Lillian, Eric, Herb, Ossie, Ethel, Ross Seated: Bernice, mother Jane Adina, father George Nathaniel







Ross and Lil . . . We're the youngest

#### 1. Eric Albert Carnegie / Born Jamaica October 16, 1910 / Died Toronto Canada July 5, 1992 (82 yrs)

- ∞ Married: Elizabeth Lancaster of the USA on Dec 23, 1944 / no children
- They had a brief marriage (less than 2 years) and Elizabeth moved back to the USA where she became a well known doctor
- Eric was the first child of George in Jamaica / mother unknown (white)
- Occupation: Independent Trucker
- Loved bowling, classical music and sports. In his earlier years he was a boxer.
- Frequently had a smile on his face but would not put up with any nonsense from anyone.



#### 2. Ethel Geraldine Carnegie / Born Toronto January 07, 1914 / Died Toronto August 20, 2007

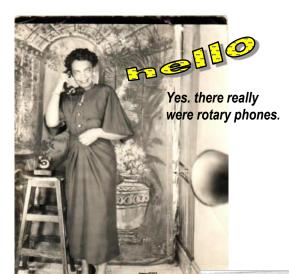
Married 1: Bill Parker / no children

∞ Married 2: Benjamin Alfred Walker (died) / no children

∞ Married 3: Clayton James Anderson / late in life / no children

Occupation: Domestic, dressmaker, seamstress, hat maker, landlady







Ethel Geraldine Carnegie / 1947

#### Reflections by niece Bernice Y. Carnegie

My Aunt Ethel was a woman of many talents. My older sister Goldie shared with me that she remembers her in her younger years taking her with her to do domestic duties in the homes of the wealthy. She was very creative and went on to become an accomplished seamstress, building a business in dressmaking and owning her own hat shop. When her father, George retired in Jamaica, she also supervised his rental properties.

Ethel was to marry three times. I remember the husband she affectionately call "Benny". They happily spent many hours of singing, him with his guitar and her on the piano. He often captured family memories with his Polaroid photos. Years later after his death she married Clayton Anderson a gentleman from the U.S.A. who dutifully cared for her until the end.

She was a devout church goer, where she sang in the choir and played the organ. I never saw my Aunt Ethel without a smile or a kind word and so you can imagine how sad it was when she professed a serious transgression to family members. Maybe it was to clear her conscience but that resulted in changing our family dynamics for years to come and family dinners were never the same. I guess some things are better left unsaid.



**Husband Benny and Ethel** 



#### Oswald Bertram Carnegie / Born Toronto September 11, 1915 / Died Toronto May 23, 1991 3.

- Married 1: Eileen Clark (died 1950) / no children
- Married 2: Phyllis Caroline Heatherington born Sherbrooke April 20, 1920 > Children: Dianne, Bertram, Mitchell
- Married 2: Greta Amanda Thume born Leijazie, Germany April 5, 1912 / no children
- Occupation: Hockey Player LEGACY NOTE: Made history as a member of the only all Black Hockey line in semi pro hockey





# Obituary

Private funeral services will be held in Hamilton, Ont., this after-noon for Ozzie Carnegie, a memoer of a unique hockey line which burned up senior ranks in Quebec for the better part of a decade.

His brother, Herb Carnegie, and Manny McIntyre joined Ozzie to form an all-black line in 1942 when they played at Timmins, Ont. They later joined Shawinigan Falls of the Quebec Provincial League and, from 1946 to 1950, they were the highest-scoring forward line in the Quebec Senior League,

Centre Herb, right wing Ozzie and left wing McIntyre usually finished among the leading senior scorers. They were such an attraction they helped keep both the provincial and Quebec Senior leagues

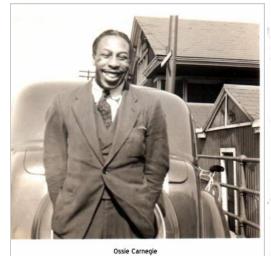
Ozzie died at his Grimsby, Ont. home Wednesday after a lengthy ill-

three. Herb, 68, lives in Toronto while McIntyre, who will be 68 this year, lives in Montreal.

Ossie and younger brother Herbie spent many hours honing their hockey skills on the ponds of Willowdale. During the summer months they would hit golf balls back and forth in the fields and also became accomplished golfers.

Ossie was the first to pursue a career in hockey and enticed Herbie to join him in the northlands of Perron, a move that stopped Herbie from graduating from high school but lead to an outstanding hockey career.

Ossie lived with Herb and Audrey until Ossie married Eileen. He and Eileen had three children that they raised in Montreal. After his hockey career was over, Ossie was not known for keeping in touch with his family.



#### 4. Bernice Isobel Carnegie / Born/Died Toronto October 28, 1917 / October 23, 1993

∞ Married: Nathan Edward Redmon in 1945 (48 yrs) Born/died Toronto May 5, 1918 — April 21, 2013

> Children: First two children — twins died a few days after birth

> Children: Nathan Paul Redmon — Born Toronto March 12, 1949

Married 1: Heather Held—Born March 1950 / married June 6, 1970 –March 1973

Married 2 CL: Phyllis Joan McIntyre of Montreal Q.C. born January 15, 1957— June 27, 2016

• Occupation: Registered Nurse: LEGACY NOTE: first Canadian born Black registered nurse in Canada









Bernice Isobel Carnegie was the first Canadian born Black Registered Nurse to work with the Nova Scotia Health Department in Sydney and the first Black Registered Nurse hired by the Victorian Order of Nurses (V.O.N). Canada was not accepting of Blacks in nursing in the 1940s and to overcome this roadblock, Bernice attended St. Phillip School of Nursing, Medical College of Virginia. USA. Three years later she graduated as a fully qualified registered nurse, but she did not stop there. Bernice had done so well in the three-year course that she received a scholarship which she used to continue her studies for one more year, in order to obtain qualifications in public health nursing.

Bernice was a member of the Eureka Friendly Club which is one of the oldest chartered clubs in Canada. She taught Sunday School and participated in local church activities. She also sang in several choirs; North York Community Choir, the church choir, and the Grace Trottman Choir. She was also a volunteer for the Children's Aid Society and was on the executive of the women's section of the United Nations Association, Toronto Branch.

Bernice died of lung cancer on October 23, 1993. She was truly a trailblazer who opened many doors of opportunity especially for Black women.

Nathan was a good provider.

He was in the electrical corps

of the army during the second world war; worked for Ferranti for 40 years. He built the first split-level home in Willowdale in 1948 and invented many household items.



Nate with son Nate December 25, 1991 Matched book Ends

Bernice loved music and in her later years was often



#### 5. Herbert Henry Carnegie / Born Toronto November 08, 1919 - Died Toronto March 09, 2012 (92 yrs)

- ∞ Married: Audrey May Redmon August 08, 1940 (63 year union)
  - > Children (X4): Goldie, Dale, Bernice, Rochelle (see Family of Herbert Pg 23)
- Occupation: Hockey Player (17 yrs), Director of Sports and Recreation, Financial Advisor (32 yrs)

**Legacy Note:** Made history as a member of the only all Black Hockey line in semi pro hockey; Won 24 golf Championships and 2 national titles; Established the Herbert H. Carnegie Future Aces Foundation and became a philanthropist enriching the lives of countless youth; Has an arena and a school named in his honour; Has received 8 medals for community service including the Order of Canada; Has been inducted into 14 halls of fame.

Herbert Carnegie was born at his parent's home at 55 Federal Street Toronto in 1919. He was a resident of North York most of his life (from youth to adulthood), where he shared a loving partnership with Audrey Redmon for 63 years.

In his youth he was a talented athlete who parlayed his skills into an outstanding career in the Ontario Hockey Association and Quebec Hockey Leagues. He made history by being part of the only "Black Line" in the semi-pro leagues in the 40s and 50s. Following his seventeen year hockey career, he established the first registered hockey school in Canada in 1955. Additionally he is the only Black man to have won twenty-four amateur golf tournaments and holds two national golf titles.

His vision of justice and fair play produced a remarkable code of ethics, called the **Future ACES Philosophy**. This has been used as a character-building and ethics tool in hundreds of schools throughout Ontario and beyond for four decades.

He along with his wife Audrey and daughter Bernice established the *Herbert H. Carnegie Future Aces Foundation* whose initiatives have enriched the lives of countless youth.

A few of his acknowledgements include receiving eight medals for good citizenship, being inducted into fourteen halls of fame, being appointed York Regional Police's Honorary Chief of Police and having a school and an arena named in his honour.

In addition to being a role model to many thousands of youth, Herb was a kind, caring and dedicated husband and father.



Herb and Audrey Celebrating his 1978 Senior Golf Championship

They enjoyed a loving relationship for 63 years and were always seen touching each other.

Audrey's commitment and loyal support made it possible for Herb to reach many of his community goals. She was a principled and caring mother who always put her family first. Her strength of character was truly the heart of our family!





Honorary Chief of Police York Regional Police 2005



Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree Convocation Address York University 2006



#### 6. **Lillian Edith Carnegie** / Born Toronto June 16, 1923 — Died Toronto August 31, 2021 (98 yrs)

Married: Kenneth Everett Murrell / Born / Gied Toronto ON CA July 25, 1919 — September 5, 2002
 One Child: Denise Caroline Murrell / Born Toronto ON CA February 26, 1957

Occupation: Dressmaker

#### Reflections by Denise Murrell

I remember my father was always working. Before dad was married he worked out at the War Plant in Oshawa. He attended St. Bridget's Elementary Catholic school, then east York High School and George Brown College. My mother was raised in Willowdale and attended Lansing Public School and Northern Vocational Collegiate.

Dad met my charming and beautiful mother at a "social dance". She made him work hard to win her over. They courted for a year and were married at St. Bridgets Church on May 21, 1954. They were married for 48 years until his death and I was their only child. They were a very sociable couple.

My parents worked hard all their lives and have persevered through tough times. Both worked for the Parish of St. Anselm, my mom in the rectory and my father managed the Church. He went on to be a custodian with the Toronto Catholic School board. They enjoyed volunteering in the church for 25 years and mother was also a CWL member.

My mother always looked stylish and was a talented dressmaker, a skill she passed on to me.

We have been blessed with a family who has encouraged each other to move forward. My parent's faith in God kept us strong to continue to support others to be their best.

Denise Murrell







**Carnegie Clan — Vignettes of our Journey** 

#### 7. Ross Mitchell Carnegie / Born Toronto December 25, 1925 - Died Texas U.S.A. July 26, 2020 (95 yrs)

- > George Chapman / Born Toronto Sept 29, 1948 : Mother Mary Chapman
- 1. Married: Elise Beatrice King / Born/Died New York USA September 11, 1922 January 13, 2011
   One child: Adina Elise Carnegie / Born New York September 3, 1952 May 17, 2017
- ∞ 2. Married: Norda Byrd Washington (late in life) Nov 25 2013 / Born Hawkins Texas
- Occupation: Savvy business man (real estate), Band leader, Pianist, Music Teacher



#### LEGACY NOTE: A CARNEGIE PERFORMS AT CARNEGIE HALL

Ross Carnegie and his band played at Carnegie Hall in 1976 in New York City to a packed house at a concert in support of a student fund raiser for City College.

**Ross Carnegie** was the youngest child of George and Jane. Ross revealed through many conversations that there were strained relations between him and his father. As a result, Ross sought to leave Canada and go to the **USA** to live independently from his family. Because of his young age, his father's signature was required for him to get a green card.

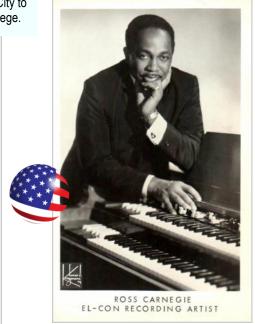
Ross was 19 when he left home to go to New York. He said: "It is a day I would never forget. My father walked me to the door, admonishing me that if I had been a nice son I would not be leaving like this. I walked out of the door, got into a taxi and got on the train. I cried all the way here (US) and it was a twelve hour trip. When I got off the train, I was really, really scared to death and wondered what I would do next. Everything worked out so beautifully and everyone was so good to me." Several of father George's siblings lived in New York and Ross cultivated friendships with his Aunts and Uncles. Ross went on to say, "After a while I did miss my brother and sisters and mother and father too. I was a good son once I was in New York. I would call frequently and was back in Toronto at least once a year."

This was the beginning of a new life for Ross. He left behind a father that he felt did not love him and a child from a brief relationship with a girl friend who shortly afterward severed contact with the Carnegie Family.

Ross married teacher Elise King July 1, 1950 and had their only child Adina two years later. Elise very knowledgeable, had a Masters Degree and Ross admits he did not appreciate all that she had to offer. Ross became a savvy business man, following in his father's footsteps of buying rental properties. He continued to develop his musical skills and became a multi-talented Bandleader, Master of the Hammond Organ and a Piano Stylist. He became a valued mentor to many musicians both young and old.

Now in his twilight years, Ross admits he could have been a better father and husband. He feels he is now making up for that in his second marriage to Norda. He affectionately calls her *Precious*. They met back in 1994 where he played and she sang at a wedding. Years after both their spouses passed on, they rekindled their friendship to become soul mates. Ross truly has learned to value each moment in time and through kindness, a caring heart and loving spirit understands that every moment with *Precious* is precious.

Phone interview June 2017 with Bernice Carnegie





#### 8. Arthur Augustus King / Born Toronto February 23, 1927 - Died Toronto December 14, 2011 (aged 84)

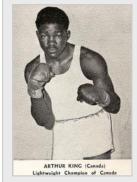
Married: Marie Johnston Weir / Born Toronto June 11, 1932 / Died Toronto April 11, 2019
 > Children: Kim, Lynn, Wayne (adopted)

· Occupation: Boxer

**LEGACY NOTE:** "Little" Arthur King was a Canadian professionalfeather/light/welter/middleweight boxer of the 1940s and 1950s who won the Canada lightweight title, and British Empire lightweight title, his professional fighting weight varied from 126 lb (57 kg; 9 st 0 lb), i.e. featherweight to 151 ½ lb (68.7 kg; 10 st 11.5 lb), i.e. middleweight, he was managed by Dave Yack (pre-1948), and Frank "Blinky" Palermo (1948-52), he struggled with his health for many years. (Excerpt from Wikipedia)

Arthur King was elected to the Canadian Boxing Hall of Fame in 1987 and inducted into The Boxing Hall of Fame on May 5, 2018.





# Reflections from his daughter Kim Kenny ...

In addition to working a fulltime job with Dominion Store in the evenings my father voluntarily taught boxing to young boys for about 15 years. It was his way of giving back. He always said, "If they are with me learning boxing, they're off the street ... safe."

# Reflections from his brother David King ...

Arthur was an amazing musician on the organ and many other instruments even though he could not read music. Piano sessions saw Ross playing the chording while Arthur played the melody.

On the one hand Arthur had a mean streak and that is what made him a great boxer. On the other hand he taught me a lesson by not allowing me to go into boxing. He said they would butcher me.

Arthur ended up going to the U.S.A. but signed up with the wrong person. They made him fight against opponents that were 35 lbs heavier even when he was hurt. He was forced to fight to eat.

Arthur adopted a boy, Wayne King, who at the time was in need of special attention. He said Wayne reminded him of himself and he wanted to give back the way Mr. Carnegie had.

The last fifteen years of his life he suffered from brain damage caused from boxing and died at 84 from pneumonia.

# **How Arthur and David became part of the Carnegie Clan** as related by David King — June 28 2017

The parents of Arthur and David were Arthur Augustus King (from Barbados) and Louise Augustus Brown (from Panama). They met in Toronto, married and lived on Augusta Avenue in Toronto where they raised their five children, Gwen, Phyllis, Arthur Jr., David, and Harold. Arthur became a butcher — a profession that ultimately resulted in his death from a knife cut, causing yellow jaundice. At that time David was 3 years old. When Arthur died, Louise, a homemaker, moved in with her cousin who helped support and keep her family together. Sadly four years later Louise died of breast cancer leaving their family orphaned.

The two girls, Gwen and Phyllis, were teenagers and old enough to go on their own and the youngest Harold was placed with family members. Arthur and David were sent to children's aid where they struggled with abusive behaviour — beatings and name calling (nigger) for several years as they were moved from one home to another, until they were placed with George and Adina Carnegie. David recalled that their stay was supposed to be temporary but in the end George and Adina embraced them into their home at 42 Boswell Avenue and three years later adopted the boys but insisted that they should keep their family name. David stayed with the family for 10 years until he married at age 21.

David said that they never called George or Adina mom or dad, always Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie but thought of them as second parents. David recalls Mr. Carnegie saying that he would never lay a hand on them but they would be disciplined by being sent to their room. He said that Grandpa George was good to his word and treated them fairly. He remembers that Mr. Carnegie always gave them good advice. David fondly recounted memories of Mrs. Carnegie and emphatically said, "I loved that woman!" When she became very ill, David made a special trip to visit her in the hospital before she died much to the surprise of daughter Ethel who expressed that she did not know he cared about her that much. His final visit to see Mrs. Carnegie was a testament to their nurturing spirit as foster parents. David lamented, "Where would we be today without Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie. You never know what would have happened to us."

## Meet the children of George and Adina

#### 9. David King / Born Toronto Nov 16, 1929

Married: Shirley Anne Hazel in 1950 (David was 21 years old)
 (X3) children: Brandy, Debbie, Erron

Occupation: Photo Engraver (for 42 years)



ID photo / Photo Engravers





88 yrs

David was an accomplished hockey player winning many awards.



About David: Interviewed by Bernice Carnegie June 28 2017

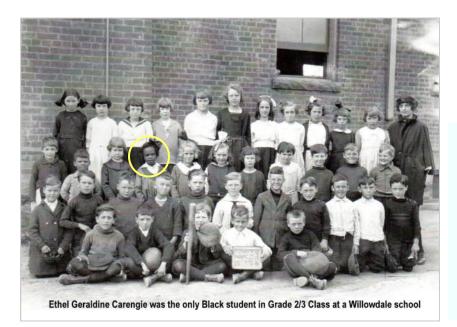
David enjoyed the security and stability of the Carnegie household. He became a functioning member of the family and on weekends would accompany Mr. Carnegie and his daughter Ethel from their city home to Mr. Carnegie's property in Willowdale. He helped tend and spray several acres of their fruit trees.

Like the Carnegie boys David loved hockey and eventually played in the WHA (World Hockey Association) and was drafted by Pittsburgh where he incurred a serious back injury that landed him in a body cast for three months as part of his six month hospital stay. They thought he would never walk again. It was ten years before David was able to lace up his skates.

David recalled, "By fourteen I had a part time job and Mr. Carnegie taught me how to manage my money. At seventeen years of age I started to work with Photo Engravers and Electrotypers and that became my profession for 42 years." While there he played hockey and coached for the company team. David embraced the lessons of Mr. Carnegie and bought and sold six homes during his lifetime augmenting his working income and providing a comfortable lifestyle for his family.

By coincidence, while at Photo Engravers, David ran into Herb Carnegie, who happened to be working as a binder for three months during the off season of Herb's hockey career. When Herb became a Financial Advisor with Investors Group, they would again connect. David invested \$20,000 through Herb. \$25,000 had been negotiated with the help of Mr. Carnegie when David slit his arm on the TTC during an accident. Small world.

David married Shirley Anne Hazel in 1950 and had three children, Brandy, Debbie and Erron. At the time of this interview David was 88 years young. Although dealing with the challenges of prostate cancer, he had a smile on his face, spoke with a youthful voice and looked 20 years younger than his real age. With a family that has had a history of passing on much too early, David views the world optimistically and said he was grateful for his life experiences.



# School Daze

#### **LEGACY NOTE:**

The Carnegie family was the only Black family in their area of Willowdale in the 1930s.

The community stayed mostly White even into the 60's where Herb and his sister Bernice chose to reside. They built homes and raised their families on Empress Avenue and Kingsdale Avenue respectively, their children eventually attending the same local high school — Earl Haig High School.

**Legacy Note:** Three generations of the Carnegie Clan attended **Earl Haig High School** starting with George and Adina's kids at which time they were the only Black students in the school.

**Legacy Note:** Earl Haig appointed Herb Carnegie an honorary director and later named one of their gyms in his name as a tribute to his achievements in the community as an former Earl Haiger.

#### Nate Redmon son of Bernice I. Carnegie attends school reunion.



Goldie, Bernice and Rochelle Carnegie (Herb's daughters) were also track and field champions at Earl Haig. Bernice became President of the Girls Athletic Association and Rochelle enthusiastically participated on the cheerleading squad. Herbie Jr. (Dale) enjoyed the camaraderie of basketball and football and served as the schools Sergeant-at-Arms.



Herb Carnegie 1934 Track & Field Jr. Champion

## **Meet the Grandchildren of George and Adina**

It is with sincere regret that we lost touch with our cousins from Montreal — Dianne, Bertram and Mitchell (not shown in the photograph). This is our last photo taken in 1991 at a family reunion.

10. Mitchell Carnegie

7. Diane Carnegie

1915 Oswald Bertram	1951 Diane
	1952 Bertram
	1960 Mitchell
1917 Bernice Isobel	1949 Nathan
1919 <b>Herbert Henry</b>	1941 Goldie
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	1942 Dale
	1945 Bernice
	1951 Rochelle
1923 Lillian Edith	1957 Denise
1925 Ross Mitchell	1948 George
1/23 ROSS MITCHEII	1952 Adina
	1302 Adilia



4. George Chapman

We were delighted to meet George Chapman for the first time in 2015. Unfortunately his identity was unknown to us in our youth. We recently learned that he grew up in the same city of Toronto. Although he now resides in Alberta, we look forward to staying in touch.



11. Denise Murrell

9. Adina Carnegie





8. Bertram Carnegie

5. Nathan Redmon



2. Dale Carnegie





6. Rochelle Carnegie



1. Goldie Jeanjacques



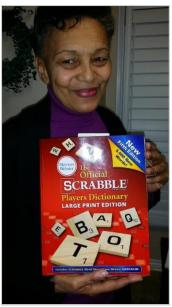
3. Bernice Carnegie

11 kissin cousins

# 1st Grandchild of George Carnegie Daughter of Herbert Carnegie

## Goldie Mae Carnegie 5 August 1941





Goldie's two favourite pastimes SCRABBLE and SUDOKU

"Goldie-isms"

I'm on vacation for the rest of my life.

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It's my birthday all year round.

# Grand News

#### Reflections of Goldie by Sister Bernice

Our parents eloped in 1940 and a year later a few days before their first anniversary, Goldie arrived in the desolate community of South Porcupine Ontario. Mom and dad did not know anything about babies and she was their number one test case.

Goldie was a sensitive individual and frequently tears come to her eyes when she revisits memories of her childhood. She was always known as the pretty but aloof child who admits she lacked self confidence and struggled through school. Others would recognize her amazing gifts. She demonstrated the family love of sports and became a track and field champion in high school. She also followed a family tradition of playing the piano and she would wake the household to her beautiful classical music, a talent she exercised into her adulthood.

The dreaded school days were over and Goldie saw herself moving on to Teacher's College until BANG . . . we were in a car accident. I was 16 and she was 20. I was spared irreparable injury but Goldie had her leg broken in two places, something that would plague her for the rest of her life. I marvel at Goldie's courage for dealing with doctor after doctor and the excruciating pain that only got worse into her senior years. Goldie learned to shut up and put up with the hand with which she was dealt. And more hard times came her way when her husband Lionel of 13 years died prematurely from a heart attack at 38 years young and she became the only parent to raise their son Kevin.

I marvel at Goldie's courage having been a homemaker and with no business skills, she found a way to get on with life. Within two weeks and with the help of a friend she was employed. Her keen sense of money management enabled her to hang onto her home and provide for her son. After 12 years on the job she finally took a bold step to apply for a receptionist's position that would ultimately change the course of the rest of her life. She performed this job to rave reviews from staff and clientele that saw her emerge from smothering her talents in a cocoon to becoming the self confident and beautiful butterfly she deserved to be.

Goldie retired at age 58 to successfully deal with breast cancer. Then stepped in to care for our aging parents until they passed on. We did not realize until much later that all the while she was suffering from depression.

Although Goldie continues to live in pain, she now feels free and content to live with what she calls an uncomplicated and simple life. She has a strong relationship and counsels a handful of special friends; enjoys her trips to the casino affectionately dubbed *The Bank of Woodbine*; engages in our mother's favourite pastime of reading; and relishes in countless hours of competition playing SCRABBLE with me!

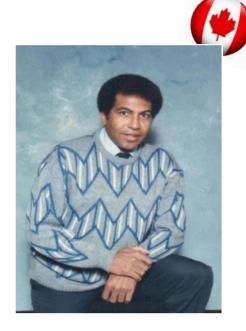
Happiness is finding yourself and Goldie finally found the best of who she could be and everyday sprinkles a little sunshine wherever she goes by sharing a positive comment with a stranger. She clearly follows the values instilled in us by our father's Future Aces Creed.

Bernice Carnegie

#### 2nd Grandchild of George Carnegie Son of Herbert Carnegie

#### **Dale Herbert Carnegie**

29 September 1942





# Grand News

Dale Herbert Carnegie was born in the cold north lands of Timmins Ontario September 29, 1942, the second child of Herb and Audrey Carnegie. He was known by the nickname "Herbie Jr." until he left for the USA when he was nineteen to pursue his secondary education.

He successfully weathered the culture shock between treatment of Blacks in Canada and Blacks in the US and on May 28 1966 graduated and married Registered Nurse Jackie Campbell from Pittsburgh on the same day.

Our Canadian teenaged "Herbie" became Dr. Dale Carnegie graduate of the Ohio College of Podiatric Medicine. Through focus and hard work Dale put himself through school with the unconventional job of assisting with autopsies.

The family was thrilled when at the graduation, he was selected by his peers to receive *The Gafford Ethics Award* for his proficiency in Forensic Medicine and for the demonstration of such deportment, honor, and moral concepts as are most consistent with the highest code of professional ethics.

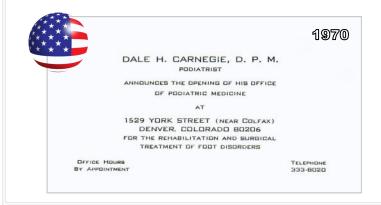
Little did Jackie and Dale know what was in store for them. Within months of graduation, Dale was called up to serve as an officer in the United States Army, utilizing his new skills as a podiatrist in a US army hospital.

In 1970 Dale moved on to opening his own podiatric practice and even designed the office himself. After 25 years, he closed his office due to changes in the US rulings around insurance compensation and began fulltime work at Denver Health Hospital where he stayed until his retirement in December 31, 2007.

As a resident of the U.S. Dale continued to play recreational hockey for 30 years and still enjoys regular rounds of golf. The love of both sports was learned through the teachings and coaching of his father.

Dale nurtured two sons Darren Phillip and adopted son Christopher Lynn. He remarried in August 21, 1976 to Pharmacy Assistant Connie Sesto. They have enjoyed forty-one years of married life, living comfortably in the suburbs of Denver Colorado.

Bernice Carnegie



# 3rd Grandchild of George Carnegie Daughter of Herbert Carnegie

#### **Bernice Yvonne Carnegie**

07 September 1945







# Grand News

Bernice was born in Toronto September 7,1945 at the end of the second world war. She was raised in Willowdale in a home built by her father and mother Audrey's family from a property purchased from her grandfather George Carnegie.

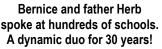
Bernice has always been aware that she stands on the shoulders of her family's legacy. She feels privileged to have been co-founder of their family Foundation (Herbert H Carnegie Future Aces Foundation) and was its Executive Director for seventeen years. She worked with her father for three decades and continues to share their common vision of empowering youth and adults to become strong, confident and caring citizens through the application of the Future Aces Philosophy.

Bernice played a key role in expanding the services of the Foundation. With the help of the organization's directors and education team (which later included her sister Rochelle), many thousands of students have been enriched through character development initiatives. During her tenure more than half a million dollars in scholarships was awarded to youth, volunteering in humanitarian and community service projects.

Bernice is now an Educational and Life Enrichment Speaker, whose story is featured in the 2016 edition of 100 Accomplished Black Canadian Women.

Some other areas of recognition include receiving: Toronto District School Board's Public Education Hero Award and Volunteer Award of Distinction; Planet Africa Development Award; Urban Hero Award for Education; Black Business & Professional Association Woman of Honour Award; National Ethnic Press & Media Council of Canada Humanities/Community Service Award; Ontario Black History Society Mathieu Da Costa Award as a facilitator and communicator; Canada International Black Women Pioneer Award; Multi-Ethnic Sports Hall of Fame Lifetime Leadership Award; and Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal.

Bernice married Granville Chambers of Jamaica December 2, 1967 at the end of Canada's Centennial Year. After 12 years as a stay at home mom, Bernice's depression precipitated the end of the marriage, resulting in new beginnings. She became a working single mother for the first time and re-educated herself by becoming a Financial Advisor with Investors Group. She has survived enough bumps along the way to appreciate her many amazing life experiences, especially enjoying a very close relationship with her three adult children, Vaughn, Brooke and Corey.





Bernice's passion is sharing her family's journey and legacy of Future Aces

# 4th Grandchild of George Carnegie Son of Ross Carnegie

#### **George Chapman**

29 September 1948



#### LEGACY NOTE:

- •1972 Canadian Softball Gold Medal Winner in World Tournament in Manila
- 2007 Softball Hall of Fame Inductee

George meets cousins Bernice and Goldie for the first time



# Grand News

#### Personal Reflections by George Chapman

I was born in Toronto, Ontario Sept 29, 1948 and raised in the well known area of Cabbagetown by my mother Mary Chapman. In grade school I attended Lord Dufferin School and in high school I attended Central High School of Commerce. I graduated in the 1960's and entered the work force with the City of Toronto and then with the Borough of York as an Accounting clerk.

All my life I have been involved in sports. My passion was baseball and softball. The highlight of my career was being a member of the 1972 World Softball Champion Richmond Hill Dynes. Our team represented Canada in the 1972 World Tournament in Manila, Philippines and we won the Gold Medal. That opened up an opportunity to move to Edmonton and play softball out west. In 2007 I was inducted into Alberta Softball Hall of Fame.

I met my ex wife in Edmonton and married in 1975. We adopted two children my daughter Jordan and son Jeffrey. Jordan now is married and has two children, a girl Wynter and son Zachary. She now lives in Oklahoma. My son is an actor and stars in the TV series Unreal and resides in Los Angeles.

I have been retired now for 2 1/2 years and live happily with my girlfriend Vicki in Sherwood Park, Alberta. We met at a Blues Festival in Edmonton and our ten year anniversary is coming up in August 2017.

George Chapman



George's mom Mary Chapman McFarland

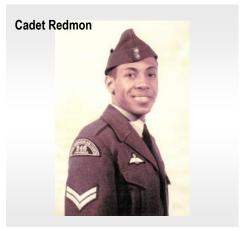


George with his adopted children Wynter and Zachary - 2007

#### 5th Grandchild of George Carnegie Son of Bernice Isobel Carnegie

#### **Nathan Paul Redmon**

12 March 1949







# Grand News

I could hear the smile in Nate's voice as he recalled his mother emphasizing that he was born in the old Mount Sinai Hospital in Yorkville Toronto in **Room No. 8** on March 12, 1949. He was my closest cousin as his parents lived on the upper floor of our home while his father built their own home on Kingsdale the next street over.

Nate went to McKee Public School and remembered participating in a community Fun Fair. He was excited with his entry of an Avro Arrow model plane, when a man pointed out to him that the wings were on backwards. His interest in planes would eventually catch up with him. He said he really enjoyed high school, a second generation family attendee at Earl Haig S.S. but his real passion showed up at Air Cadets where he was a stellar student and received his private pilot's license at the age of 17. A year and a half later he was off to Seneca College for Commercial Air Pilots Training. He was one of 30 students selected from 300 applicants to take the course. But commercial piloting was not to be — he failed the course.

In 1970 he married Heather Held and went to work for her father as a Production Manager at his gasket company for two years. The union with Heather ended and so did his desire to work at the gasket company.

Nate had an entrepreneurial spirit and when he met Phyllis Fast he was ready to explore new horizons. She had an inactive company called Attic Typesetting. It needed a sales person and so they joined forces; flipped a coin to see who would become president and Phyllis won the toss. Together they started their own business and became the second company in Toronto to develop a computerized typesetting system in 1974.

After two years Nate became president of the Toronto Typographers Association and then joined the international branch which led to doing typography lectures around North America. Their mainstay was book publishing eventually landing their largest account with Harlequin romance novels. Nate recalled, "In 1991 Apple MacIntosh did us in. The typesetting industry came to a halt and clients started typesetting their own jobs."

Nate has a gift for creating new opportunities and as clients started to buy their own equipment he made a career shift by helping them make the purchases and by providing typesetting training. He then branched out into the self taught business of servicing and repairing computers. It was a client's party that led him to meeting the second Phyllis in his life, Phyllis McIntyre, resulting in a twenty year loving partnership.

Phyllis was introduced to gliding and loved it. This rekindled Nate's old passion for flying. They could not wait to get into the air. The sale of a family property made it possible for them to buy their own aircraft. They bought a Pipistrel Sinus Motorglider and Nate even went to Slovenia with Phyllis' niece to see the last stages on the production line. One week later he had the thrill of test flying his new toy.

Sadly Phyllis died June 27, 2016 a couple of months before the plane could be shipped to Canada. She never did see it. Although Nate misses his bright, articulate and spunky partner, he has been filling his days with travelling the globe and on clear days is found high in the skies. Now retired, his lifelong dream of piloting brings him solace and joy.

Phone interview September 2017 Bernice Carnegie

6th Grandchild of George Carnegie Daughter of Herbert H. Carnegie

## Rochelle Dianne Carnegie

21 May 1951





# Grand News

First of all I would like to say what a great childhood I had. I am the youngest of four siblings who paved the way by breaking my parents in. Thank you guys. Also by the time I grew up, my father was progressing in Investors Group and my lifestyle was more affluent than my siblings.

I was always active in school activities be it the orchestra, cheerleading, basketball, gymnastics or track and field. I was determined to do everything my sisters had done and even more if I could. However as friends went, even though I had them, I always felt I was on the outside.

In Grade 12, a friend asked me why I didn't date my own kind? That was really an epiphany for me when I realized I was different. So I immersed myself in the "Black" culture by joining a group called the Black Youth Organization (BYO) where we learned about Black culture and joined with other groups (The Black People's Movement of York University and The Black Student's Union of U of T) and formed another group called the Black Education Project or BEP. This organization tutored Black youth around Toronto and with the help of Black owned businesses took them on outings to further their education about Black people in Ontario, visiting historic cites in Dresden and Buxton (Black settlements near Chatham).

It was through this organization, that I met my first husband, Maurice Rhodd, a York University student. We moved to Jamaica in 1972, when Michael Manley became Prime Minister, as my husband wanted to be part of the change to improve the living conditions in his home country. Our children (Kalimah and Tamu) were 18 months and 6 weeks at that time. In Jamaica, I voluntarily worked with youth at the YMCA, danced with two dance troupes and played netball with two teams. I also attended the University of the West Indies taking Social Work for one year. Five years later, we separated, and I returned to Canada with my daughters.

Upon my return I had a variety of jobs – mostly in the Administrative field. While working at Markel Service Canada Ltd. as the Secretary to the Secretary Treasurer, I met and married my second husband, Barrington Palmer. We had one son, Rane Carnegie.

A lot of my working career was political in nature and I worked as a legislative assistant for the New Democratic Party caucus, then as the logistics officer for the leaders tour during the 1990 provincial election which we won. I then worked in the Premier's office as a general assistant in the Executive Director's Office then was promoted to Special Assistant to the Premier, working directly with Premier Bob Rae. I also worked with Stephen Lewis who was appointed Advisor to the Premier on Race Relations after a number of Black men/youth had been shot by police. Although the job was stressful, it was very rewarding.

I went on to work as an Organizer and Campaign manager for the NDP both provincially and federally in Ontario and Nova Scotia. One real growth experience for me was to run for MP in the riding of Willowdale.

I am currently an Education Consultant at the Herbert H Carnegie Future Aces Foundation where I proudly work with school communities implementing my father's Future Aces Philosophy in both elementary and secondary schools across Ontario.

I am the proud mom of three children who have blessed me with seven grandchildren. All three children are happily married.

# 9th Grandchild of George Carnegie Daughter of Ross Carnegie

#### **Adina Elise Carnegie**

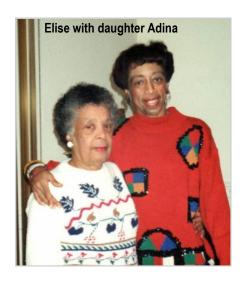
03 September 1952 — 17 May 2017



Adina Carnegie / 1969 / 17 years

The beauty of life is,
while we cannot undo what is done,
we can see it, understand it,
learn from it and change,
so that every new moment
is spent not in regret, guilt, fear or anger,
but in wisdom, understanding and love.

Jennifer Edwards



# Grand News

#### Remembering Adina Carnegie

I just learned today, three months after the fact, that on May 17, 2017 my cousin Adina took her leave from this world. I had known for many years that she had been struggling with various drug addictions that resulted in her estrangement from the family. Why am I writing this . . . because she **was** part of our family and deserves to be remembered.

My contact with her was all too brief as she was born and raised in New York and I in Toronto. My memories are of a bright, happy girl, full of life. My last encounter was about twenty years ago when I was 50ish and my boyfriend and I unexpectedly dropped by her home while we were vacationing in Boston. I knocked on the door and when she came and saw me standing on the other side of the screen she opened it and we laughed like the long lost cousins we were and hugged and hugged and hugged some more. This would be the last time I saw her.

I talked with my Uncle Ross at length today and he was brave enough to share his feeling about some of the missed opportunities he would have liked to have had with his daughter. Like all parents do when things go awry for our children, we ask what could I have done differently? My Uncle was in that time and space and confided he wished that when she was in her early teens that he had spent more time with her rather than developing his career as a musician, a profession for which he clearly excelled. I could hear the pain in his voice when he said, "I have now learned what I needed in a marriage and back then I did not handle it well. I was not a nice guy and when you do not have a loving situation the children pay the price."

If we blamed our parents for everything that went wrong in our lives it would be a very sorry world. Ultimately each of us must take responsibility for our choices. My Uncle and Aunt did what they could – moved her back home, helped her to receive treatment and spent many thousands of dollars hoping it would make a difference. But drugs have a way of taking you down the rabbit hole and the sadness of it all ends up being shared by our friends and family.

Adina married Donald Mathis in the early 1990s a union that lasted only a few years. Unfortunately their use of drugs ended up being their undoing. While healthy, Adina was a Deputy Commissioner of a prison. My Uncle told me his daughter was smart, sharp, had a talent for figures and a head for entertainment. In a perfect world he would have loved it if they could have worked together.

His world now includes memories of what could have been with his daughter and late wife Elise but from these experiences he has shown the kind of human courage we all seek -- to learn from our past and discover how giving love to others lifts our spirit in untold ways. Happily I can say that my Uncle Ross has found the true meaning of love in his second union with his wife Norda.

Bernice Carnegie

# 11th Grandchild of George Carnegie Daughter of Lillian (Carnegie) Murrell

#### **Denise Caroline Murrell**

26 February 1957







# Grand News

Denise is the youngest grandchild of George Carnegie. She grew up in central Scarborough and attended Catholic elementary schools where she remembers usually being the only Black student in her classes. Although very shy, she excelled in Track and Field, winning many first places.

High school was a challenge for her and after attending Sir Oliver Mowat Collegiate Institute, Notre Dame Catholic High School and an alternative school, her goal of receiving her graduation diploma was realized. Her hard work and perseverance paid off. Despite the long process of completing the basics of school, she advises our next generations to keep achieving their dreams no matter how long or painful it may seem. To that end, Denise went on to George Brown College and found it rewarding to earn honours with a Certificate for "Introduction to Sociology".

Denise has an office background and after high school worked as a typist and data entry clerk, later becoming an assistant physiotherapist. True to the Carnegie tradition, Denise has always enjoyed music. She received several certificates from the Royal Conservatory of Music from the University of Toronto and presently works as a music teacher, teaching piano and theory.

Denise recalls that life has not always been pleasant. She has occasionally had bouts of illness with depression and a weight problem caused by anti-depressants. Being a woman of faith, she prayed hard to fight back her feeling of having no reason to live. She said that her trust in God has helped her to take a more positive approach to life. She feels that she has been blessed to grow up with the love of her aunts and uncles who encouraged her to keep striving towards the goals that she had set for herself.

Denise has always been known to have a kindness of spirit and shows great empathy for family and friends, frequently revealed through her phone queries and willingness to administer prayer. Her devotion as a daughter has not gone unnoticed as she has patiently cared for both her father and mother throughout her adulthood.

Denise is an ardent church goer and her participation in the church choir and the Catholic Women's League are two of the many ways in which she makes a positive contribution to her community and reinforces her belief in God. Philippians 4:13 is one Biblical verse that continues to have special meaning in her life, given to her by her mother one day when she was studying for an exam.

I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHICH STRENGTHENS ME.

Notes from Denise Murrell — Bernice Carnegie



## Family of Herbert Carnegie / 5th child of George and Adina

## Herbert Henry Carnegie

Toronto, ON November 8, 1919 — March 9, 2012



## **Audrey May Redmon**

Toronto, ON August 15, 1919 — August 27, 2003

Goldie Mae Jeanjacques (nee Carnegie)

South Porcupine, ON

Aug 5, 1941

**Lima Lionel Pierre Jeanjacques** 

Bermuda

Aug 29, 1939 — Aug 9, 1977

Kevin Pierre Jeanjacques / Toronto, ON / Oct 17, 1970

Dale Herbert Carnegie

Timmins, ON

Sep 29, 1942

**Connie Diane Carnegie (nee Sesto)** 

Denver, CO

Nov 14, 1952

< Jacqueline Dow Campbell / Pittsburgh, PA / Jul 11, 1941 — Oct 27, 1976

Darren Phillip Carnegie / Denver, CO / March 28, 1969

+ Peggy Lynn Carnegie / Denver, CO / Oct 10, 1969

= Ton'shuna T. L. Carnegie / Denver, CO / Aug 10, 1993

= Tra'von Adrian Carnegie / Denver, CO / Jun 9, 2007

Christopher Lynn Carnegie / Denver, CO / Sep 30, 1973

Bernice Yvonne Carnegie

Toronto, ON

Sep 7, 1945

< Granville George Chambers / Jamaica / April 19, 1942 — 2005

<u>Vaughn Lee Chambers</u> / Toronto, ON / Nov 13, 1968

(Married Ordene Jan 11, 2015 — Her second marriage)

Ordene Ann Bramwell / Toronto, ON / Dec 5, 1972 + Dale Martin James / Toronto ON / Nov 2, 1975

= Jaydon Martin James / July 6, 2000

= Jorden Ernest Elijah James / July 6, 2000

Brooke Rose Chambers / Toronto, ON / Nov 29, 1969

< Rondel David Mitchell / London, England / Sep 4, 1966

= Kyla Reid Mitchell / Brampton, ON / Aug 2, 1996

Corey Deane Chambers / Bowmanville, ON / Sep 19, 1973

+ Julie Florence Diplock / Richmond Hill , ON / July 15, 1980

= Jacob Scott Chambers / ON / July 31, 2017

= Keira Deane Chambers / ON / April 22, 2021

**Carnegie Clan — Vignettes of our Journey** 

## Family of Herbert Carnegie / 5th child of George and Adina

Rochelle Dianne Carnegie

Toronto, ON

May 21, 1951

< Morris Hopeton Rhodd / Kingston, Jamaica / Mar 2, 1949

## Kalimah Randine Rhodd Hadaway / Toronto, ON / Feb 23, 1971

- + George McGregor Hadaway Jr. / Chateau Blair, St. Vincent / May 12, 1967
  - = Nikia Randine Hadaway / Toronto, ON / Jul 28, 1995
  - = Bryten Garvey Hadaway / Toronto, ON / May 31, 2010

## Tamu Koumba Rhodd Bracken / Toronto, ON / Jul 11, 1972

- + Michael Frederick Bracken / Owen Sound, ON / May 16, 1969
  - = Kyler Christian Bracken / Halifax, NS / Dec 16, 2000
  - = Trevor Wesley Bracken / Halifax, NS / Oct 16, 2003 (Twin)
  - = Blair Alexander Bracken / Halifax, NS / Oct 16, 2003 (Twin)
- < Barrington St. Elms Palmer / Jamaica / Nov 7, 1949 2008

## Rane Barrington Carnegie / Toronto, ON / Jan 2, 1985

- + Brooke Michelle Michaelov / Toronto, ON / Apr 25, 1982
  - = Myles Herb Carnegie / Toronto, ON / May 11, 2012
  - = Mya Audrey Carnegie / Toronto, ON / Feb 17, 2014

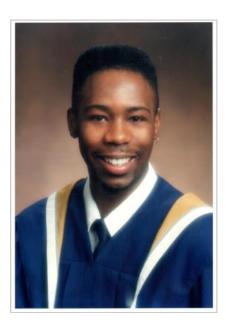
## The Grandchildren of Herb and GREAT Grandchildren of George and Adina



Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Bernice Carnegie

#### **Vaughn Lee Chambers**

13 November 1968



Hair & Nair



# Great News

Vaughn created excitement from the moment he was born on November 13th 1968. He was the first great grandchild of George Carnegie. It became evident very quickly that Vaughn was bright and talented. He breezed through school and was the first Carnegie from his branch of the family to complete post secondary education. He graduated with a Bachelor of Applied Arts from Ryerson University in Toronto in 1991.

Always fascinated with the financial industry, Vaughn started his career with Investors Group and became a financial advisor at the age of 25. Throughout the years he worked in various capacities in the financial, real estate and investment arena.

An avid sports enthusiast, Vaughn was exceptional in a variety of competitive sports including hockey, football and his favourite sport soccer which he continued to play into adulthood.

Vaughn married his long-time sweetheart, Ordene Bramwell in 2015 and is a loving step father to twin boys Jaydon and Jorden. Vaughn spends his spare time building his online empire and enjoys travelling with his family.

Vaughn lives by the mantra . . .

"I truly believe that everything that we do and everyone that we meet is put in our path for a purpose. There are no accidents."

Bernice Carnegie / Vaughn Chambers



"This woman makes me smile everyday!"

Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Dale Carnegie

### **Darren Phillip Carnegie**

28 March 1969







Darren with wife Peggy

## Great News

Master Sergeant (retired) Carnegie was born and raised in Denver Colorado. His parents are Dale and Jacqueline (deceased) Carnegie and has one brother named Chris. Dale was then remarried to Connie Sesto. He graduated from Montbello High School in June 1987 where he excelled in track. He went to Doane College in Crete NE on a track scholarship. In 1990 he married Peggy Barnes and they adopted two kids Ton'shuna, 24, and Tra'von, 10. They also have two nephews staying with them Qua'jon, 15, and Joseph, 9, and one niece Queen Trinity, 3.

Airman First Class Carnegie joined the Air Force in March 1992 as a power line specialist. In 1994 exterior, interior, and fire alarm systems combined into one career field. After basic training and tech school his first assignment was the 21th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) Peterson Air Force Base (AFB) Colorado Springs CO.

In 1996 Senior Airman Carnegie had a Permanent Change of Station (PCS) to the 786th Civil Engineer Squadron (CES) Ramstein AB Kaiserslautern Germany. In 1998 he completed Airman Leadership School. In 1999 Staff Sergeant (SSgt) Carnegie PCS'd back to Colorado Springs CO. (721 CES Cheyenne Mountain AFB). He PCS'd to 21 CES Peterson AFB in 2001. In 2005 he PCS'd back to the 735th CES Ramstein AR

In 2007 Technical Sergeant (TSgt) Carnegie completed his Community College of the Air Force and attended Non-Commissioned Officer Academy. In 2009 he PCS'd to the 819th RED HORSE Squadron (RHS), Malmstrom AFB MT and was the Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the 819th RHS Electric Shop. MSgt Carnegie retired as a member of RED HORSE October 1, 2014. He served 22 years and 6 months, having been deployed to Saudi Arabia, El Salvador, Kyrgyzstan, Qatar, Afghanistan, United Arab Emirates, and Oman.

In 2014 Darren moved back to Denver and went to work for Centurylink from 2014-2016. In 2016 he became a full-time student, attending Metropolitan State University pursuing a degree in Electrical Engineering.

Darren's hobbies include supporting his Colorado sports teams, golf, and playfully beating up his son and nephews as much as possible.

Darren Carnegie

Meritorious Service Medal Air Force Commendation Medal Navy Commendation Medal Air Force Achievement Award Meritorious Unit Award Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Air Force Good Conduct Medal National Defense Service Medal Afghanistan Campaign Medal

Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal Global War on Terrorism Service Medal Humanitarian Service Medal

Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon with Gold Border Air Force Longevity Service Ribbon United States Air Force NCO PME Graduate Ribbon Air Force Training Ribbon NATO Medal (ISAF)



**Decorations** 

Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Granddaughter of Herbert Carnegie Daughter of Bernice Carnegie

#### **Brooke Rose Chambers**

29 November 1969



#### LEGACY NOTE:

Brooke was the youngest (19 yrs) and only Black female officer when she was hired by Ontario Provincial Police in 1989.



## Great News

**Brooke Chambers** is the eldest granddaughter of Audrey and Herbert Carnegie. Although born in the big city of Toronto, she was raised in the farm lands of Newcastle where she and her brothers were the only Black students in their elementary school.

Hard working, determined and athletic by nature, she was an accomplished Ontario Track and Field Competitor who also became an Ontario Junior Amateur Body Building Champion.

Towards the end of her first year at Ryerson University she was recruited into policing and became the youngest officer hired by the Ontario Provincial Police in 1989 at age 19, as well as being the only "Black" female. She was dedicated and passionate throughout her nine year career, serving in many capacities — breath technician, coach officer, high school liaison officer, mediator, investigator for the fraud squad, policy developer for Correctional Services and Trainer at the Ontario Correctional College.

Brooke left policing when her only daughter Kyla was born and became an astute financial advisor. At the height of her financial career she managed \$60 million in assets for approximately 800 personal clients. During this time she was diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder. Having severe health challenges Brooke left the financial world to take care of her health. It took more than 15 years for her to find the right balance of nutrition, exercise and lifestyle in order for her to feel that she was able to contribute to the world again. Brooke's friends say, she is an amazing coach and mentor they can count on for excellent advice.

She enjoys travel, constantly engaging in projects that provide learning opportunities and uplifting debates, and spending time with family and friends.

Bernice Carnegie / Brooke Chambers

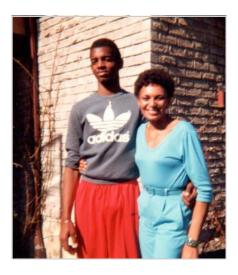


Kyla and Brooke Daughter and Mother / Dynamic Duo

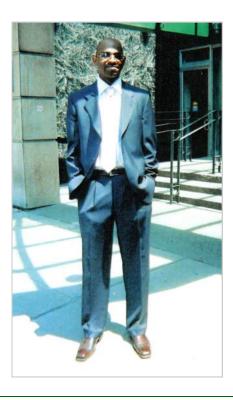
Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Goldie Carnegie Jeanjacques

#### **Kevin Pierre Jeanjacques**

17 October 1970



Kevin with his mom Goldie "always a head above"



# Great News

Kevin has the distinguishing feature of being one of the tallest of the Carnegie grandchildren, a polar opposite to his great grandfather George. Favouring his Bermudian father Lionel Jeanjacques in looks and size, his impressive 6'5" stature immediately makes him noticeable wherever he goes. I have been known to envy Kevin for his long legs and arms and could only smile as he reached up with ease to repair my skylight and ceiling, a kindness that I will never forget.

Kevin, an only child, benefited from the camaraderie of our family gatherings and his outspoken and unfiltered comments along with his wry sense of humour has always been met with welcome debate amongst his cousins. Thanksgiving and Christmas would not be the same without his deep voice saying, "Aunt Bernice can I sample the turkey?"

He was raised in the suburbs, lives in downtown Toronto but mostly loves his time camping in the freshness and solitude of the northlands of Ontario. No one escapes challenges in life and Kevin found this to be true early during his formidable years. Sadly his father died when he was only six years of age changing the trajectory of his home life.

Kevin is a paradox. He is known to be impatient but also has an empathetic and warm spirit. Picture him gently freeing a mouse from sticky paper or helping a fly escape through a window instead of swatting it. Kevin is an admirable and nurturing parent to his cat Lexie and his huge dog Milo who benefit every day from his gentle attention.

Kevin has experienced a number of successes over the years through his work in a variety of sales related fields.

Bernice Carnegie



Kevin just hanging out with his dog Milo



His father "Lionel" called him "Tiger"

Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Granddaughter of Herbert Carnegie Daughter of Rochelle Carnegie

#### **Tamu Koumba Rhodd Bracken**

11 July 1972



**New and Eager** 



On the Job / August 2017



Tamu with husband Mike October 13, 2015

# Great News

Revisiting past memories with my niece Tamu brought a smile to my lips when she spoke of our family gatherings for Easter, Thanksgiving and especially Christmas. All the grandchildren would sleep over with grandparents Audrey and Herb. Each child was about a year apart and she recalled how she and her young cousins would have friendly fights mixed in with the excitement of opening gifts and a big family dinner. It was never the same she said when Grandpa sold the family home on Ravenscroft Circle because that was the one place she felt was home. And so when she and her husband Mike and kids would come back to visit Toronto they stayed there – it was home.

She recounts, "During my teenage years there were a lot of troubles but I was strong enough to overcome those obstacles. I had goals -- to finish school and become a police officer." Later she said, "I could see everyone was doing better than us and I wanted to have a nice home and a husband that treated me well." And that is what makes Tamu so remarkable in the eyes of her family. She persevered and moved on to reach her goals.

Tamu was featured as the VIP guest at the A.B.L.E. (Association of Black Law Enforcers) Ball June 8, 1996. Her strength of character was clearly evident when at eighteen she started applying to various police forces as a cadet or constable but kept coming up disappointed. Still determined she began studying law enforcement at Seneca College and working for various security companies. With help from some A.B.L.E. members, including her cousin Brooke, Tamu applied to the RCMP in April 1994 and was accepted a year and half later.

Quoted in the program Tamu said, "The training was challenging and rewarding. I learned a lot about life. But the hardest thing about being there (Regina Saskatchewan) was being away from my family and my fiancé Mike."

Nothing much has changed about Tamu's values. I could hear the smile in her voice on the phone when she said, "I am proud of the fact that I have been married for 20 years and we have made a beautiful life for ourselves with our boys. It was always my dream to become a police officer and I actually still get excited when I get into the police car. I still love the job and what it has brought to my life.

I do not think I would have been happy if I did not make it. I had to cry a lot of tears and change a lot of things in my life. I certainly paid it back and this job has been more rewarding than I ever thought it could be."

The empathy Tamu learned on the job even fending off PTSD led her to continue to stay closely in touch with her grandfather even though she was the grandchild farthest away. He loved her for that; we all do too!

Tamu married Mike Bracken and has three children, Kyler, and twins Blair and Trevor. Mike is also employed as an RCMP officer.

Phone interview August 2017—Bernice Carnegie

Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Bernice Carnegie

#### **Corey Dean Chambers**

19 September 1973



A Diploma and a Merit Award





Corey and Julie — August 15, 1915 Love makes the world go round.

# Great News

My childhood memories have played a significant role in my upbringing, as it has led me to my passion for life and for sports; especially hockey and has defined the man that I have become today.

Although my parents divorced when I was young, I grew up knowing that I had the love of both my parents. They raised me to understand the importance of respect for myself and others and how to be kind, compassionate, loving and patient. Family was very important and I remember all of the family get-togethers at my grandparent's home. I vividly remember my grandparents in the window of their home, waving goodbye as we drove out of the driveway. My grandma was the glue that held our family together. Now that both of my grandparents have passed, I am grateful to my mother for continuing to ensure that our family remains close by hosting many get-togethers at her home. I don't get to see my siblings nearly enough, but everyone always shows up at mom's and it is always a great time! Although there is a gap in age between my brother/sister and me, it's nice to know that I have outgrown being the loveable pest, to just being a loveable brother. It's from the closeness I felt with my family that I grew up knowing that I wanted to have a family of my own one day.

My love for sports came from my father who was passionate about soccer and a grandfather who was passionate about hockey. I was fortunate enough to play both growing up, and continued playing hockey throughout my youth, and still now in my adulthood. I can still remember to this day spending hours talking about hockey and looking through the shrine of pictures in my grandfather's basement at Ravenscroft Circle. Understanding his story, and the challenges that he faced in life, especially with hockey ... taught me that sometimes life just isn't fair, and that your attitude can make all the difference on whether you will succeed in life or not. Life will be full of obstacles, but my father and grandfather always told me to never give up no matter what road blocks are in my way.

My dreams over the years to settle down, buy a house and start a family became reality when I met and married my now wife Julie. We are the perfect match and she is my better half, and together we have worked to create a life for ourselves that we love, and can be proud of. Just recently we welcomed our son Jacob into our lives, which has been an absolute blessing and we are hoping one day to extend our family further with a second child.

Life is pretty amazing, but over the years I have realized that life is also very short. If I can leave you with any advice, it would be to live life to the fullest, love fully, forgive quickly and enjoy every moment in life with your family and friends.

Corey and Julie Chambers—September 2017

Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Dale Carnegie

#### **Christopher Lynn Carnegie**

30 September 1973



# Great News

Chris Carnegie was born in Denver on September 30, 1973. He was happily welcomed into our family as a baby, the adopted child of Dale Carnegie. He immediately had a special place in our hearts that grew over the years because of his warm and loving spirit. His visits to Canada have been infrequent but Facebook has played a role in helping to keep the bond, and when he does come to visit, his Canadian cousins make a point of planning gatherings to reconnect and enjoy his quiet sense of humour.

Chris currently works for Charter Communications, the second largest cable company in the U.S. He has honed his skill sets during his eleven years of employment to become a Senior Video Engineer responsible for the acquisition and delivery of video channels across the country.

Chris self identifies as an introvert and in his down time you will find him in front of the TV perfectly happy to be flipping channels and watching movies. Working in telecommunications has reinforced his passion for tinkering with all the latest technology. Even though those occasional golf games with his dad add another dimension to his daily routine, his favorite sport is football . . . GO CHIEFS!

His grandfather's value system of Future Aces has certainly rubbed off on him and he professes that he holds the highest regard for those individuals **who stand up for positive change**. Chris supports his beliefs with action and has made donations through his company to our family foundation to support youth character initiatives. He is a man of integrity.

From Christopher's Notes August 2017 — Bernice Carnegie



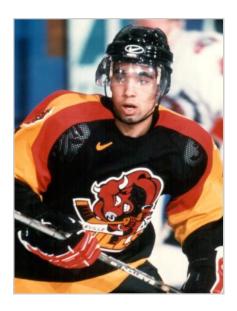
Christopher toasting his Canadian nieces Kyla and Nikia



Great Grandchild of George Carnegie Grandson of Herbert Carnegie Son of Rochelle Carnegie

#### **Rane Barrington Carnegie**

02 January 1985



No "BULL" about it; he went from hockey to becoming a business man just like his grandpa Herb.



# Great News

Rane is the youngest great grandchild of George. He was born in Toronto on January 2, 1985 and brought up in the Jane/Finch corridor of North York. He remembers it as being a "rough neighbourhood" to say the least, and credits his two sister's Kalimah and Tamu, for providing him with love and guidance. He emphasized that his mother Rochelle worked hard to provide stability for them and said, "What we didn't have in substance, we had in love and each other."

It was a natural choice for him to gravitate towards hockey like his grandpa Herb and had a stick in his hand before he started school. His mom struggled financially and with the help of extended community namely his godparents, Don Tapscott and Ana Lopes, his hockey career took him into competitive leagues from Belleville Ontario, to Halifax Nova Scotia, to Paris France. Although very accomplished at the sport, a mischievous lack of focus curtailed him from moving up to the NHL. Like many who miss their intended goals, sometimes they attach blame in undeserved places. Rane now freely admits, "Finally I found accountability in all that I do, instead of pointing the finger at others."

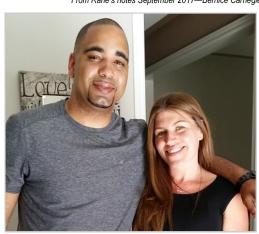
Rane went on to develop another family talent from his grandfather Herb, a passion for sales and finance. Proudly his extended family and colleagues recognize his gift in the field, acknowledging he has experienced global success as a top sales manager in business.

Rane has settled in the growing community of Brooklin Ontario out of the limelight of his business world in Toronto. There he enjoys the proverbial million dollar family with his lovely wife Brooke and two children Myles and Mya. Their household also includes their playful and friendly dogs Charlie and Chloe.

What many people might not know about Rane is that hiding inside that huge stature of a man is an empathetic, warm and giving humanitarian spirit. He has been known to repeatedly and generously share his loaves and fishes to the point of taking others into his home for extended periods of time to help them through difficult life challenges. Now that truly demonstrates the adage of being your brother's keeper. Rane's favourite quote is:

"It's easy when you want to; and hard when you have to."

From Rane's notes September 2017—Bernice Carnegie



Rane with wife Brooke



Tartan & Crest: Argent, an eagle displayed Azure, armed, beaked and membered Gules, on it's breast an antique covered cup Or.

Clan Motto: Dred God.

Tartan and story copied from internet site on Carnegie Clan

# **There are many branches** of the Carnegie Clan

Add to our story.

Are you a shoot from our roots?



Meet the REID family, a branch of the Carnegie Clan

## **Carnegie Clan Cousins**

Given name: Catherine Dorothy CARNEGIE (Reid) Croll		Spouses given name: Samuel Spurgeon Reid			
Date of birth: 24 April 1896	Place: Manchester Jamaica	Date of birth: 23 Oct 1898	Place: Jamaica		
Date of Death: 27 Jan 1997	Died at 101 yrs of age	Date of Death: 22 Oct 1941 (43 yrs)	Buried: Jamaica		
		Date of Marriage: June 14, 1925 (27yrs)	Place: Jamaica		

Samuel Reid died at 42 years of age and Catherine remarried to Jeremiah Croll who helped her raise her four children.



#### **Mother Catherine**

Her story pg 48 >

Spouses given name: Jeremiah Croll

Date of birth:

Date of Death: 14 June 1988

Date of Marriage: 21 Dec 1946

Father's name: Thomas Carnegie / born 1850 — Died 10 Jan 1910 / (her father had a white complexion) brother to Matthew William Carnegie

Mother's maiden name: Mary Carnegie / Died 12 Apr 1930

Children of Catherine & Samuel	Birth Date	Where	Date of Death	Where	Married to	
John Isle Mcruby Reid	28 Aug 1926	Jamaica	2012 (82 yrs)	Florida —	•	
George Wellesley Reid (Leslie)	24 Aug 1930	Jamaica	* Sadly, Leslie's life ended much too soon.			
Joyce Mary Reid	12 Apr 1935	Jamaica			Lincoln Smith	Has 2 children
Edward Lushington Reid	01 Feb 1938	Jamaica			Dorothy Delsada Bailey	BD 20 Apr 1936

<sup>\*</sup> Although the official records show that Leslie drowned, the family felt that Leslie was killed. He had witnessed a break in and the perpetrators vowed to get him. Leslie was not a swimmer and there was no water found in his lungs.

**LEGACY NOTE:** Edward came to Canada in 1963 and followed his Jamaican profession by becoming the second Black Police Officer with the Toronto Police Service. He met Dorothy Bailey at a party and they have enjoyed a loving union since 1968. They have three children, Rose Marie, Beverley Ann and Andrew Anthony.



Siblings of Catherine Dorothy 1896-1997	Birth /Death	Where	Married to
Amos George Carnegie	1885—1978	Jamaica	Susan E. Blake
Thomas Isaac Carnegie	1890—1958	Jamaica	Estel
Rachael Elizabeth Carnegie	1895—deceased	Jamaica	Benjamin
Georgiana Carnegie (Georgie)	1897—deceased	Jamaica	Frances Thomas
George Carnegie	deceased	Jamaica	Never married
John Carnegie	deceased	Jamaica	Sylvia K. Patterson
Matilda Carnegie (Mattie)	deceased	Jamaica	Mr. Anderson



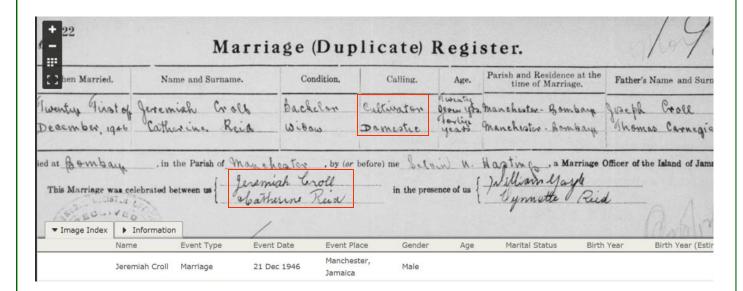
Joyce Mary Reid

Daughter of Catherine

Joyce was a nurse in England. She did not like the poor conditions in England and went to midwifery in Scotland. When she came to Canada in 1960 she was disappointed that only doctors were permitted to deliver babies and so in 1963 returned to Jamaica and worked in a hospital as a Registered Nurse.



- Marriage certificate of Samuel Spurgeon Reid (27 yrs) and Catherine Dorothy Carnegie (29 yrs)
- On 14 June 1925 at Zion Hill Baptist Church in the Parish of Manchester
- In the presence of John W. Carnegie and Mildred Reid
- Father of Samuel John Isle Reid
- Father of Catherine Thomas Carnegie
- Occupation Samuel / Planter: Occupation Catherine / Domestic



- Marriage certificate of Jeremiah Croll and Catherine (nee Carnegie) Reid
- On 21 December 1946 at Bombay, in the Parish of Manchester Jamaica
- In the presence of William Yargle and Oynnette Reid
- Father of Jeremiah Joseph Croll
- Father of Catherine Thomas Carnegie
- Occupation Jeremiah / Cultivator: Occupation Catherine / Domestic

Ages recorded on documents do not check out mathematically. Could be human error.

#### EULOGY

<u>CATHERINE DOROTHY CROLE</u> affectionately called "Mother", was born of Thomas Carnagie and his wife Mary at the district of Allison in the parish of Manchester on April 24, 1896, almost 101 years ago - she was the last of eight children.

She received her early education at the Mizpah Elementary School and the Zion Hill Baptist Sunday school.

After leaving school she was sent to North Clarendon to learn the skill of dressmaking. This did not work out lucratively and so she desired to be trained as a nurse but her parents would not send their young daughter to the vile city of Kingston.

As an industrious young lady she used her dressmaking skill along with other gainful employment to make a livelihood. She met and fell in with Samuel Spurgeon Reid, of the district of Bombay and was joined in holy wedlock on the 27th of June 1925. The union brought forth four children; John, Leslie, Joyce and Edward. (Leslie has since deceased). Her husband, Sammy, after a short illness died in 1941. She was left alone to care for her children. It was difficult for her but with a grim determination she settled down and brought them up second to none in the district.

Some years later another gentleman fell in love with her and so she and Jeremiah Crole got married on December 21, 1946, who helped her with the brought up of her children. This union brought forth no children. Along with her four children Mother Crole took in and helped other children who were less fortunate. Brother Jerry pre-deceased her nine years ago.

Mother Crole was savedby the Grace of God, and had an unflinching faith in Jesus Christ. She was a member of the Zion Hill Baptist Church were she served as Sunday School teacher, Deaconess,, lay-preacher, organist and indeed in nearly every activity of the Church. She had a sure and steadfast testimony and her life was a living sermon. In May of 1990 she was recognised by the Church for long and faithful service.

She will be longed remembered as a community worker. Although she was denied the opportunity as being trained as a nurse, she became a self-styled nurse of no mean order. People sought her advice and help for all kind of ailment and she helped many. She was the Mid-wife for the area for up to three generation. When she attended to a mother who delivered triplet and brought them in to the Mandeville Hospital the Matron and nurses were amazed and commended her highly for her skillfulness. Dr. Logan honoured her by giving her a Certificate of Midwifery.

Mother Crole had the pleasure of visiting Canada and United States spending time with her children. One of the high points of her visit was to visit the "White House", when she sat in the President's chair, she was heard to say. Is Catherine Crole this President Nixon's chair?

She was a charming, earing, generous, loving and Godly lady. "She had done what she could:MK. 14: 8.

Last year April she celebrated her 100th birthday, the queen sent words of congratulation and the Governor General paid tribute.

On Monday morning, 27th January, 1997, at 5:15 a.m., in the arms of her daughter Joyce and in the presence of her son-in-law, she went to be with the Lord. Like the Apostle Paul she had fought a good fight; finished the course and kept the faith. 2 Tim. 4;7 Safe in the Arms of Jesus, Safe on His gentle breast, Safe in the Arms of Jesus, Safe from corroding care.

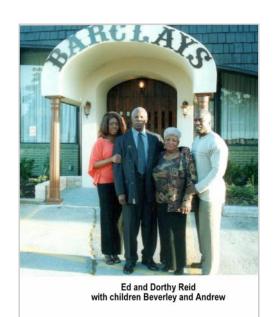
Sleep on beloved - Sleep and take your rest,
We love you well - but Jseus loves you best,
Until the Easter glory lights the Skies, Until the dead in Christ
shall arise - Good night.
Only 'good night' beloved - not farewell.
A little while and all the saints shall dwell.
Until we meet again, before His Throne.
Clothe in the Spotless Robe He gives His own.
Good night Good night "Dear Mother"

Eulogy for Mrs. Catherine Dorothy Crole, who died on Monday, January 27, 1997, and was buried on Thursday, February 13, 1997.

Eulogy by Rev. Lincoln Smith





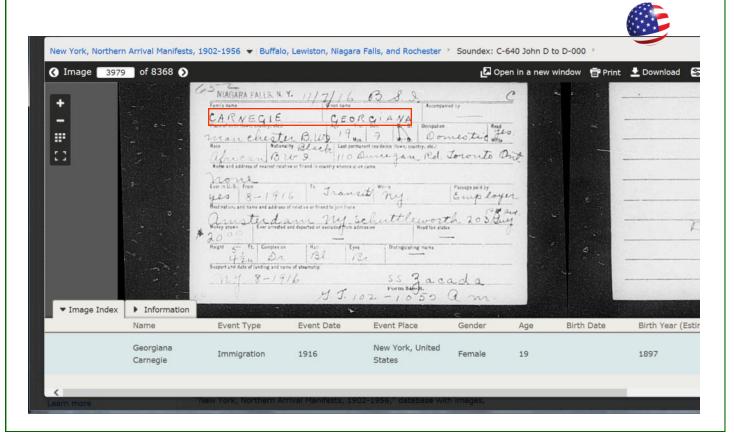


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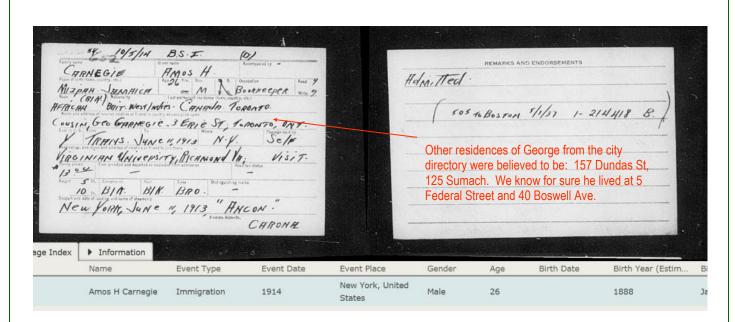




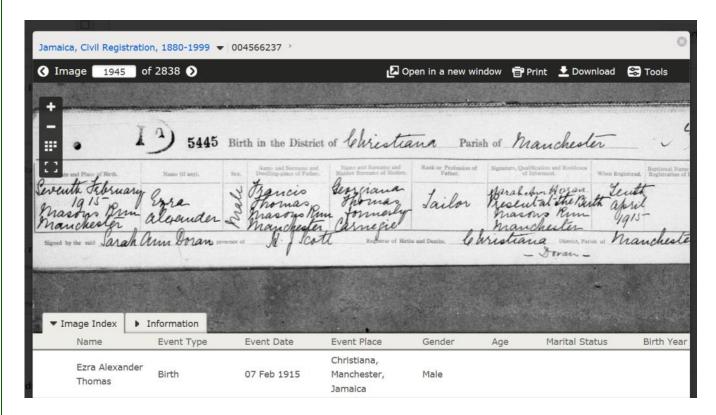
# Comings and Goings Siblings of Catherine



**Carnegie Clan — Vignettes of our Journey** 



June 11, 1913 - Amos Carnegie visits cousin George Carnegie in Toronto



- Birth Certificate of Ezra Alexander Thomas born February 1915 in Christiana Manchester, Jamaica.
- Ezra was son of Georgiana (nee Carnegie) Thomas
- Eza would be the nephew of Catherine Dorothy (nee Carnegie) Croll Reid.
- Occupation—Tailor



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Clan Motto: Dred God.

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## **Carnegie Clan History**

In 1358, Walter de Maule made a grant of the lands of "Carryneggy", at Carmyllie, in south-east Angus on John de Ballinhard, who, the transaction having been confirmed by David II, took the name Carnegie of that Ilk. This line expired in 1563. However, the style "of that Ilk", meaning "senior of the Name", was restored by the Carnegies of Kinnaird towards the end of the 16th century.

Duthac de Carnegie, second son of John de Ballinhard, witnessed a deed of sale in Aberdeen in 1383, and from him and his son John de Ballinhard, descend the House of Southesk and the House of Ethie. Duthac was killed at the Battle of Harlaw in 1411. His son, Walter Carnegie of Kinnaird, fought under the standard of James II at the Battle of Brechin in 1452.

In 1513, John Carnegie of Kinnaird died fighting for James IV at the Battle of Flodden. His son, Sir Robert, a member of the College of Justice, was sent to England to negotiate the release of the Earl of Huntly, Chancellor of Scotland, who had been taken prisoner at the Battle of Pinkie in 1547. Sir Robert's son, John, was a loyal supporter of Mary Queen of Scots. He died without children, so the family estates passed to his younger brother Sir David, who, in 1616, was created Lord Carnegie of Kinnaird, then in 1633, Earl of Southesk. In 1662, the earldom of Northesk was assumed by his younger brother John, who in 1647 had been elevated to the peerage as Earl of Ethie, but preferred the Northesk alternative.

The Carnegies were fervent Jacobite supporters. The 5th Earl of Southesk took part in the 1715 Uprising and was attainted, his estates forfeited to the Crown. Sadly predeceased by his children, the Southesk title passed to Sir James Carnegie of Pittarrow, descended from a younger son of the 1st Earl. In 1885, the attainder was reversed and the titles restored.

In 1923, the 11th Earl of Southesk, when Lord Carnegie, married her Highness Princess Maude, granddaughter of Edward VII. Their son, as well as being heir to his father's earldom, and being Chief of Clan Carnegie, was made Duke of Fife. The Family Seat is Kinnaird Castle at Brechin, in Angus.

The 6th Earl of Northesk (1716-1792) became an Admiral in the Royal Navy; his son, the 7th Earl of Northesk (1758-1831) was third-in-command under Admiral Lord Nelson at the Battle of Trafalgar. Andrew Carnegie (1835-1918) was the son of a Dunfermline-based linen weaver who emigrated to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, USA in 1848. Through working in the iron and steel industry, he became one of the richest men of his generation and gifted over \$350million dollars to charitable causes, including the town of Dunfermline.

Places of Interest: Kinnaird Castle at Brechin in Angus, seat of the earls of Southesk and dukes of Fife. Skibo Castle, Dornoch in Sutherland, dates from the 12th century. In 1898, it was purchased and remodelled by the tycoon Andrew Carnegie. Today, with its 18-hole golf course, it is run as the exclusive members only Carnegie Club.

Surname distribution in Scotland: The Carnegie surname is most commonly found in Angus (Forfarshire), Dundee City, Aberdeenshire and Forfarshire and Kinross (Perthshire and Kinross-shire).



TO

#### My namesake and late aunt - Bernice Isobel Carnegie

who initiated and recorded the first trail of our family genealogy in 1989 of people I once knew, I do know, and of others I look forward to knowing.

#### My Uncle Ross Carnegie and Aunt Lillian Carnegie Murrell and Great Aunt Gwen

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This journal is a labour of love in honour of all those family members whose stories make up a part of our amazing history. Their legacies of life allow us to look back and know how we can live our present lives with courage to meet our daily challenges.

There is no ending; this is just a beginning for more life stories to come. This is an opportunity to learn from our past, showing us who we can be and how we can go forward to make this world a better place.











Bernice Yvonne Carnegie Granddaughter of Adina Mitchell and George Carnegie Daughter of Audrey Redmon and Herbert Carnegie

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