



The Lord gave us an angel and the Lord has requested His angel to come back home to Heaven to rest in eternal peace.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord the righteous Judge, shall give me at that Day"

II Timothy: Chapter IV, Verses 7 - 8a

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ADELINE
Lecointe

Heaven Sent

March 3, 1941 - May 31, 2024

Heaven Bound

JULY 26, 2024

St. Ann & Joachim Catholic Church - Barrenspot

LIFE STORY

Adeline Lecoointe

ADELINE MATILDA LECOINTE



On March 3rd, 1941 the world was blessed to receive an angel named Adeline Matilda Lecoointe born to Rosie and Morille Lecoointe on the beautiful nature island of Dominica in the West Indies. She was the first of twelve children from both her parents. She also had two older

siblings from her father, making it an even split of 7 girls and 7 boys. Adeline was her mother's pride and joy, always eager to lend a helping hand.

Adeline attended the Colihaut Government School from age five to fifteen where she completed her primary education. At a young age she would have long visits with her aunt Maudrie (affectionately called SaySay) who taught her how to sew. Sewing then became her passion as she loved creating unique outfits. She could just look at an outfit and recreate it with no pattern, so her dream was always to become a seamstress. Unfortunately, the profession of a seamstress at that time wasn't very profitable, and because she wanted to help care for her parents and her siblings financially, she decided to become a Nurse. This profession would afford her the opportunity to assist with the care for her parents and siblings. Upon completion of her Colihaut Government School education, she obtained a glowing recommendation from the headmaster. The recommendation helped her to gain entrance to the Nursing Hostel to attend Nursing School and subsequently the Midwifery Program.

In 1960, Adeline moved to Roseau, the capital city of Dominica where she began her career as a Nurse at the Princess Margaret Hospital. She worked there for many years, ultimately becoming the Ward Sister (equivalent today to Head Nurse) of the surgical ward known as the Alford Ward. As the Ward Sister, Adeline was tasked with taking care of patients, overseeing the nurses, and teaching the nursing students the technical aspects of nursing. By allowing them to shadow her as she made rounds, they learned the different treatment protocols for various surgical procedures. She also spent some time working at the Portsmouth Hospital where she cared for many patients from babies to the elderly. Adeline loved the babies, and it was evident because she delivered 100+ babies, one of which was her very own goddaughter Rosemond, while at the same time perfecting her midwifery training. Back then, it was hands on nursing where most of the academic and practical work was done on the hospital floor in the clinical setting. In today's world, the academic portion is done in school and the clinicals done afterwards in the hospital setting, so Adeline was way ahead of the game because she did it altogether.

Adeline was an excellent Nurse and was well liked and respected by her colleagues and patients at both hospitals. Everyone knew and loved Nurse Lecoointe as she was so fondly called. She had a spirit of servitude and was a love magnet, who shared her love and contagious smile with everyone she encountered. She not only cared for those sent to her but loved them as well, making their healing journey a complete and full recovery. Her love for people made her profession as a nurse a very rewarding one for her. It also allowed her to make two lifelong sister friends Joanna and Marie who quickly became family and continue to be family to this day. There were also a few more nurse sisters that she maintained close relationships with.

Her spirit of servitude didn't stop at just nursing, she continued to serve others with her gift of sewing by doing alterations and creating outfits for family, friends/co-workers and more. Her daughter Donna was so proud of her skills she would often share with her teachers and friends of how awesome of a seamstress her mom was, which also brought some unexpected projects Ms. Ade's way. She and her lifelong friend Marie who also had a love for sewing, would make their own clothes and later made their custom maternity clothing and baby layettes for their babies.

With Adeline being the nurturer she was, she brought her siblings Bellon, Martin, Pearson, Catherine and Yvonne to Roseau to live with her to ensure that they could continue their secondary education and eventually join the work force, until they also migrated to the U.S. and Canada. As was Adeline's fashion, her house in Solomon Lane was the place to be, many would come to visit and spend time especially during the carnival season. Everyone who visited always felt welcome and like family.

Adeline was blessed to give birth to a beautiful baby girl in 1970, who is and continues to be the apple of her eye. Everywhere you saw Nurse, you saw Donna they were inseparable (well except at the hospital when at work lol).

In 1977, Adeline migrated to the United States. A year later, after getting situated in the Bronx NY, she returned home to Dominica for her pride and joy, Donna. On her return with Donna, they settled in the Bronx along with her favorite sister Wilma and Wilma's daughter Elizabeth. The four of them lived in the Bronx for about a year before relocating to Queens.

Because of Adeline's love for her family, she and Wilma together, purchased their first house in Corona, Queens, big enough to be able to bring all their other siblings up to the US, in order that they may have a better life. Being the eldest, many of the siblings looked to her as a mother figure, and often referred to her as the matriarch of the family. She continued her nursing career at the Elmhurst Hospital in Queens, NY, until she retired in 2003. She shared her retirement years between the States and St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Adeline was all about the family, she loved hers unconditionally and was always the peacemaker ensuring that everyone got along.

All her friends and relatives admired and loved her and always had nice things to say about Nurse. Adeline's house in Corona, Queens was always the place to be, because once you entered there you felt at home and there was always something delicious cooking in the kitchen. All the kids in the immediate and extended family always navigated to Nurse's house because of all the love they felt there.

Adeline loved the Lord and was a faithful catholic who attended mass regularly. When she was unable to make it in person, she joined in via television. She was also part of one of the prayer groups where they met weekly rotating the weekly prayer locations. This was a weekly experience that Adeline joyfully looked forward to. Some of her favorite scriptures were Psalm 23, Psalm 27, and Psalm 51 which she memorized and prayed daily along with the rosary. Before being called home she was in the process of memorizing Psalm 91. She also loved traveling, dancing, reading, listening to the Bible and singing to the Lord. She loved singing "This Little Light of Mine" and many other songs. The Dominica Cultural Group which she loved and was a highly respected member of, allowed her to share her gift of singing in her native language of creole and dancing during their annual cultural independence mass in November.

This group brought Adeline lots of joy as it was another way for her to give back during the scholarship fundraisers, family fun days and their annual dinner dance event.

After a life of serving the Lord and caring for others, our Mother, Sister, Aunt, Cousin, Friend, Adeline was called home on May 31st, 2024, on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She will forever be remembered and missed by all.

She is survived by, her loving daughter Donna, her bonus children ~ Luigi, Elizabeth, Carol and CJ; her aunt Tasie; her siblings Henry, Zeala, Bellon, Martin, Catherine, Pearson, Yvonne, Theresa, Peter, Yvette, Sheldon, Garth; an abundance of nieces and nephews too numerous to mention, her Godchildren: Rosemond, Artherly, Dorella, Ovetta and Kristopher, a host of cousins including Albertina, Joan, Lister and Margaret-Rose, two dearest sister friends Joanna and Marie, and a host of friends and co-workers. She is predeceased by her brothers MacNaire and Lincoln, sisters Lucia and Wilma, niece Annie and nephew Garvin.

Order of Service

A Celebration of Life

Entrance Hymn	When the Saints Go Marching In
First Reading - Wisdom 3:1-9	Catherine Lecoointe-Payne
Responsorial Psalm	The Lord Is My Shepherd - Psalm 23
Second Reading - 1 Corinthians 13:4-12	Celia Quitee
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia
Gospel & Homily	Father Louis Kemayou
Offertory Selection	Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
Communion Selection	Let Us Break Bread Together One Bread One Body
Commendation	Elizabeth James
Meditation	Be Not Afraid Ave Maria
Recessional	He Lives