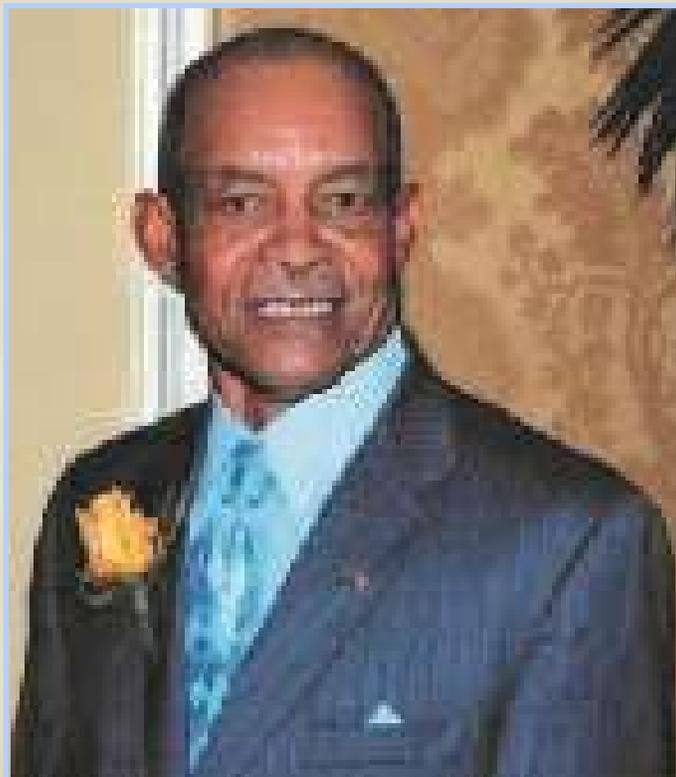


*Thanksgiving service for the Life of  
Samuel Mackoney Bodden*



*East End Civic Centre  
Saturday, 27 July, 2019  
11:00 a.m.*

*Officiating Ministers:*

*Pastors Winston & Hyacinth Rose*

*Rev. Euthman Wray*

*Bishop Dr. Dolbert Clarke*

*Pianist: Bro. Glarman Grant*

*Interment to follow in East End Cemetery*

## Order of Service

Musical Procession .....	<i>Going Home</i>
Opening Remarks .....	Pastor Winston Rose
Prayer .....	Bishop Dr. Dolbert Clarke
Scripture Reading	
First Reading <i>John 14:1-3, John 3:16 &amp; 17</i> .....	Mrs. Michelle Miller
Second Reading <i>I Corinthians 15:50-57</i> .....	Mrs. Terrencia Tatum
Song <i>Amazing Grace</i> .....	Congregation
Tribute from Wife Rev. Vernis Bodden .....	Ms. Delceta Soberanis
Tribute from Children, Grand & Great Grandchildren .....	Mr. Chris Saunders, MLA
Tribute in Song Form Siblings .....	Bro. Glarman Grant
Tribute .....	CUC
Tribute .....	Cayman Islands Seafarers Association (CISA)
Musical Tribute .....	Emily, Denise and Priscilla
Obituary .....	Hon. V. Arden McLean, MLA, JP
Song <i>How Great Thou Art</i> .....	Congregation
Sermon .....	Pastor Winston Rose
Closing Hymn <i>The Old Rugged Cross</i> .....	Congregation
Prayer for the Family .....	Rev. Euthman Wray
Benediction .....	Rev. Euthman Wray

### Pallbearers

Mr. Alchrist Bodden  
Mr. Gregg McLaughlin  
Mr. Shondell Bodden

Mr. Linton Wilson  
Mr. Renford Dixon  
Mr. Kendall Bodden

### Honorary Pall Bearers

Mr. Eugene Bodden  
Mr. Isaac Stewart  
Mr. Hinsley Hurlston  
Mr. Glen Simmonds  
Mr. Mervin Welcome  
Mr. Albert Lawrence  
Mr. Alva Gardener  
Mr. Harlee Hurlston

Mr. Arthur Da Costa  
Mr. Linston Hurlston  
Mr. Jameion Bodden  
Mr. Darrel Rankine  
Mr. Patrick Welcome  
Mr. Leskie Dixon  
Mr. Dadford Dixon

### Ushers

Ms. Leisa Welcome  
J.P. Mrs. Gayann Samuels

Mrs. Evelyn Plowright  
Mrs. Norma McLean

### Guest Book Attendant

Ms. Novelette Bodden

Mrs. Cheriell Simmonds

## **Samuel Mackoney Bodden**

**Sunrise 14 May, 1944 – Sunset 10 July, 2019**

Samuel Mackoney Bodden was born on 14th of May 1944 to Elise Bodden (nee Connolly) and Haymon Bodden of East End Grand Cayman. Samuel was the first child of the Union.

Sam Sam, as he was affectionately called, grew up in the district of East End and attended the East End All Age School under the tutelage of Mr. Allen Mclaughlin and Mrs. Isslay Connolly. Sam enjoyed his childhood years, when he was not playing cricket, you could find him out fishing with his friends, especially Hinsley aka Froggy.

Sam lost his mother when he was 15 years old. Ms. Ruby Hurlston ( now deceased) became the caregiver for Samuel and his siblings.

Sam started his seafaring career at the age of 16 aboard one of National Bulk Carrier's vessels. While at sea the "Norwester" blew Sam's way in the form of the local Magazine, out of it pages the name Vernis Walters appeared. They became penpals and within a short time the letters started flying from the garden parish of St. Ann, Jamaica to Sam at sea. In 1976 while on leave Sam and Vernis met in Grand Cayman and fire sparked between them. It was during that rendezvous the two fell in love and got engaged before Sam headed back to sea. They continued their correspondence, planning their future together and got married on February 25, 1978.

After the wedding, Sam was asked how long will his honeymoon be in Jamaica. Sam's response was, "I got a one way ticket for my wife, I come foh what a want, ah got wat a come fah and ah going home with me wife." (Lol)

The union produced two children, Bobette and Alchrist. As a husband, father and good provider, Sam continued his career at sea, retiring after 20 years as Chief Pumpman. In 1982 Sam returned home to his family. Sam loved to keep busy and productive, before long he found employment with Caribbean Utilities Company (CUC). His first position was Oiler, he was promoted to a Senior Oiler's Position in August 1991, within a short time he was promoted to Plant Operator. In April 1994 he was promoted to Plant Operator, Level 3. In December 1997, he was promoted to Supervisor Plant Operations in the Control Room, a position he held until his retirement, May 31, 2010.

After retirement from CUC Samuel started a little backyard gardening which he enjoyed. He was good at baking bread pudding and heavy cakes, some say the yam cake was the best however, his wife said no one could match his bread pudding. Sam's health started to decline and his mobility was challenged so he spent most of his time at home where he was cared for by his loving wife and family.

Sam and Vernis celebrated their 37th Wedding Anniversary on the 25th of February 2015. On the following day Rev. Vernis led her husband Sam to the Lord, he was baptized at the Bodden Town Church of God by Pastor Winston Rose on April 15, 2015 where he became a member. He attended services until he was no longer able to.

His health continued to decline and on July 10, 2019 Samuel Mackoney Bodden was called home to be with the Lord. His transition was very peaceful, surrounded by family and friends.

Sam was loved and respected by his wife Vernis Bodden, Children Glendon, Avriel, Nordalee, Bobette and lchrist; son-in-law Linton, grandchildren, great grandchildren. Siblings, Marylee, ShirleyAnn, Eugene, Darrell, Tichina, Gregg and Tommy. Brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nieces and nephews; uncles and aunt and other elatives and friends.

He impacted many lives, at home and abroad. He was beloved of God and loved by family and friends. Our Sam Sam has left an indelible void in our hearts. He will be greatly missed.

*May his soul rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon him.*

## Graveside Service

Opening Remarks and Prayer .....	Pastor Winston Rose
Hymn <i>When We all get to Heaven</i> .....	Congregation
Family Floral Tribute	
A Moment of silence for the ringing of the Seaman's Bell	
Committal .....	Pastor Winston Rose
Hymns .....	Congregation
	<i>Soon and Very Soon</i>
	<i>No Grave Can Hold My Body</i>
	<i>I'll Fly Away</i>
	<i>hen the Roll is Called up Yonder</i>

Benediction .....

### When We All Get To Heaven

Sing the wondrous love of Jesus, Sing His mercy and His grace  
In the mansions bright and blessed, He'll prepare for us a place.

**Refrain:** *When we all get to Heaven, What a day of rejoicing that will be  
When we all see Jesus, We'll sing and shout the victory!*

While we walk the pilgrim pathway, clouds will over-spread the sky  
But when traveling days are over, not a shadow, not a sigh.

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day  
Just one glimpse of Him in glory, will the toils of life repay.

Onward to the prize before us! Soon His beauty we'll behold;  
Soon the pearly gates will open; We shall tread the streets of gold.

### I'll Fly Away

Some bright morning when this life is over  
I'll fly away  
To that home on God's celestial shore  
I'll fly away

I'll fly away oh glory  
I'll fly away (in the morning)  
When I die hallelujah by and by  
I'll fly away

When the shadows of this life have gone  
I'll fly away  
Like a bird from these prison walls I'll fly  
I'll fly away

Just a few more weary days and then  
I'll fly away  
To a land where joys will never end  
I'll fly away

### Soon And Very Soon

*Soon and very soon, we are going to see the king (3x)  
hallelujah, hallelujah we are going to see the king  
No more crying there, we are going to see the king (3x)  
hallelujah, hallelujah we are going to see the king  
No more dying there we are going to see the king (3x)  
hallelujah, hallelujah we are going to see the king*

Should there be any rivers we must cross,  
should there be any mountains we must climb.  
God will supply all the strength that we need  
give us grace 'til we reach the other side.

We have come from every nation,  
god knows each of us by name,  
Jesus gave his blood and he washed our sins  
and He washed them all away.

Yes, there are some of us  
who have laid down there lives  
but we all shall live again  
on the other side.

### When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder

When the Trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more,  
And the morning breaks, eternal, bright and fair  
When the saved of earth shall gather over on the other shore,  
And the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there

**Refrain:** *When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
When the roll is called up yonder, when the roll is called up yonder,  
I'll be there*

On that bright and cloudless morning when the dead in Christ shall rise,  
And the glory of His resurrection share when His chosen ones shall gather  
To their home beyond the skies, and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there

Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun,  
Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care then when all of life is over  
And our work on earth is done and the roll is called up yonder, I'll be there.

### Acknowledgements

The family of the late Samuel Mackoney Bodden do sincerely thank all those who prayed, visited and sent their condolences through phone calls, cards, flowers, whatsapp, facebook and kind words. We also extend our sincere gratitude to the Doctors, Nurses and Staff at the Dialysis, Medical

and Critical Care Units of HSA and Bodden Funeral Service.

Please accept this as our personal and special thanks and gratitude to friends, neighbors, colleagues and Pastors.

May God richly bless you all.

*Please join us after burial for repast at the East End Heritage Field*

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