

On Loving Memory



Ann Pauline Greaux

January 1, 1909 - July 12, 2004

Funeral Service

Friday, July 16, 2004
St. Anne's Chapel
Frenchtown, St. Thomas

Viewing

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Service

10:00 a.m.

Interment

Western Cemetery #1



Eulogy

On New Year's Day in the year 1909, a beautiful baby girl was born to Lucie and Jueville Bernier on the French island of St. Bart's. They named her Ann Pauline.

Eight years later, the family was living in St. Thomas, Danish West Indies, where her father had earlier relocated to seek better opportunities for the family. During her early years of living in St. Thomas, she had to work very hard doing various tasks to help her family. One of her proudest and most often spoken of tasks was to help with the construction of this chapel. As a teenager, she and other friends spent many long days carrying loads of sand, gravel and water up this hill to the construction workers.

Eventually, she met and married John Joseph Greaux. Of that union eleven children were born, three of which died as young children. Greater sadness and hardship entered her life when her husband passed away at an early age leaving her to raise her eight children and her nephew, "Red". Later in life, she would lose two adult sons, John Isidore and Paul.

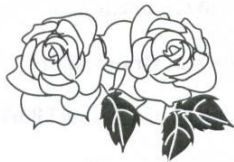
To support her family she developed and perfected many skills. Pauline was always an industrious person. Her talents were endless, from repairing clothes to dressmaking, tailoring and even making hammocks for people in the village, from preparing and plaiting straw to making baskets, bags and hats.

Pauline was an avid participant in the Frenchtown Community Center Senior Citizen's program, under the guidance of the late Gladys Lake, and was one of three ladies honored by the VI Senate for her spirit of cooperation in this senior group.

Eulogy Cont'd

One of her happiest days was when she became an American citizen. In her later years, Pauline had to curtail many of her favorite activities, such as tending her beautiful plants and her plaiting and sewing. Her declining health did not allow her these pleasures anymore, but her demeanor never changed.

Her great love for her family and friends remained steadfast. Above all, her love and faith in God remained strong. She was a devoted Catholic and never missed Sunday Mass until it became impossible for her to walk up Church Hill. Pauline was a member of The St. Anne's Society. She departed this life on Monday, July 12, 2004.



Survivors

Daughters

Marie Blanchard, Lillian Danet & Cecelia Greaux

Sons

Francisco, Augustin & John Marcel Greaux

Adopted Son

Theodore Bernier

Daughters-in-law

Emma & Anna Greaux

Adopted Daughter-in-Law

Geraldine Bernier

Sons-in-law

George Blanchard, Theodore Danet, Jr. & Thomas Greaux

Close Friends

Josephine Richardson, Juliana Greaux & Mollie Morris

20 Grandchildren

29 Great Grandchildren

12 Great Great Grandchildren

