



Mrs. Leandre Eulalie Francis

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Leandre E. Francis was born on February 26, 1948 in St. Martin and moved to Aruba where she grew up and completed her schooling. She left Aruba and went to St. Croix then Trinidad to continue her education and eventually returned to St. Croix where she began her teaching career. During this time she met James Francis whom she would eventually marry on December 21, 1969 and gave birth to four children.

In 1980, she moved with her family to Houston, Texas where they would build their life and she would continue teaching while pursuing her Master's degree in Education at the University of Houston. During her tenure at Fairchild Elementary, she was one of the proud recipients of the Teacher of the Year Award given on May 20, 1998 for the 1997-1998 school year. She dedicated her life to teaching and was an educator for more than 30 years before she retired. She loved being a teacher and touched so many lives that she was able to interact with every day.

Leandre passed away on Saturday, July 6, 2019 in Pearland, TX and is survived by her husband of almost 50 years James Francis and her children Jameson, Analisa, Jessica, and Natasha as well as two grandchildren Nyla & Ethan.

Although we mourn her passing, we also celebrate the life she led and know that the love she had for her family and God was undeniable and evident to everyone she met. In the midst of our grief, "God will turn our wailing into dancing, remove our sackcloth and clothe us in joy so that our heart will sing His praises and praise Him forever". We grieve deeply because we have loved deeply, but our hope lies in the Lord that one day soon we will be reunited with our loved one who is asleep in Him. And oh what a joyous day that will be.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, July 21, 2019 from 5pm to 8pm at South Park Funeral Home in Pearland, TX. Funeral services will be held at 11am on Monday, July 22, 2019 at Gulfhaven Seventh-Day Adventist Church with the burial following at South Park Cemetery.



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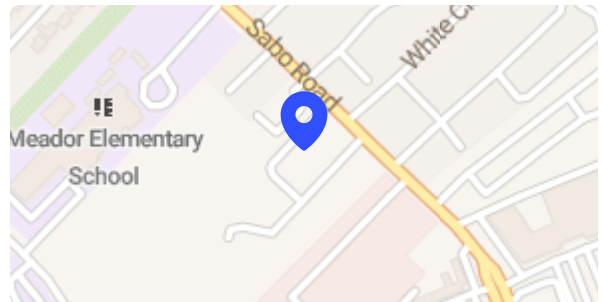
Visitation

- Sunday**, July 21, 2019
- 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM CT
- South Park Funeral Home and Crematory**
1310 North Main Street, Pearland TX 77581



Funeral Service

- Monday**, July 22, 2019
- 11:00 AM CT
- Gulfhaven Seventh-Day Adventist Church**
10716 Sabo Road, Houston TX 77089



Graveside Service

- Monday**, July 22, 2019
- 1:00 PM CT
- South Park Cemetery**
1310 North Main St., Pearland TX 77581





Tribute Wall

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BF

Bonnie And The Thomas Family. sent an Enchanted Cottage to the Francis family.

July 19 at 3:48 PM



KH

Keisha Henry lit a candle in honor of Leandre.

July 19 at 11:44 AM



GF

Garbutt, Henry & George Family July 21 at 3:56 AM

Our Dear Francis Family, With Heartfelt Sympathy we send you this message. Our hearts go out to you in your time of sorrow with the loss of our loved one. Sis. Francis was a wonderful lady and a dear friend. She was like family, an inspiration to the many lives she touched. Her sweet hugs and kisses, her warm smile and kind personality will be truly missed. Life will not be the same without her. Seeing her and listening to her sing in church always warmed the heart. My family and I will be keeping you close in Caring thoughts and Prayers. Though your heart must hold deep sadness at the loss of the one we loved, may it also hold the blessings of the life we shared and the love that will always be a part of you...Praying that God will comfort your hearts, uplift your spirits and carry you through this time of sadness to a place of peace. May it be a source of inner strength to know that there is a Loving God watching over you and that, throughout this time of need, He'll stay close by your side. May She Rest In Peace and Rise in Glory. God Bless you all! We Love You, Carl & Myrna Garbutt, Keisha, Linval, Tyler & Kayia Henry, Carl Jr, Cindy, Carl Gavin & Caleb Garbutt, Kendra, Marc, Jordan & Jayson George.



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CL

Claudette posted:

A Tribute to the Legacy of My Sister and Spiritual Mentor Words cannot express the deep pain I feel at the passing of my big sister. Even though she was ten years older than I, Leandre was more than a sister, she was my friend, my confidant, my spiritual mentor, my encourager, my advisor, my second mother. From my earliest years I loved spending time with her. Being in her company was so peaceful and I felt so loved. As I grew older, we would call each other and talk for hours, until her illness curtailed our talks and eventually robbed us of the privilege. I loved to pick up the phone and hear her say: "Claudette, sweetie, I love you". I thank God for the memories and the opportunity of having had Leandre in my life. She was my spiritual mentor throughout four critical teenage years. It is this legacy that has been my driving force throughout the thirty years my husband and I have ministered in the North Caribbean Conference of SDA. In an endeavor to do for the youth what my big sister did for me, which helped to solidify my walk with God, I have ministered to the youth wherever we have served. My comfort is that she now rests at peace awaiting the call of the Life-giver. I will miss her dearly, but I look forward with joy to that glorious day. My husband, Glendon G. Cross, our daughters, Cherise Green and Eilese Cross join me in extending our love, as together we mourn the loss of our beloved Leandre. Our hearts are with you and we continue to pray for God's comfort for all of us. Claudette Cross, Sister

July 18 at 2:45 PM

PF

Patricia Francis posted:

Deepest condolences to my brother James and your family. We mourn with you on the passing of Leandre, your wife and mother. Praying The Lord will bring comfort to your hearts as only HE can. HE is your Refuge and Strength. GOD BLESS!! With Lots of Love, your sister Pat and family.

July 16 at 4:33 PM

KY

Kimberly Yi sent a Bright and Beautiful Spray to the Francis family.



July 15 at 4:58 PM



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Ruby Olaye posted:

Leandre had always been my friend for over 30 years. When I needed a friend to share the many frustrations of simple living, she was always available to lend a listening ear and share valuable counsel that help to make my life a happier journey. We shared the same philosophy, career, religion and the same God, therefore a common bond of love and understanding was established between us. Our frequent times of personal communication were interrupted when I moved away from Texas, health challenges surfaced, long distance communication became few and sporadic. I felt her pain as she bravely fought to hold on to the gift of life, family and friends, but the enemy stole her away from us all, but this enemy will one day be defeated, and God will unite us again. So until then I say farewell, Leandre. Your love is permanently etched in my heart, and one of these days the sting of death will be a thing of the past. We will live with the Life-Giver, our Friend and Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Rest In Peace, my sister and friend! I will always love you! Lovingly remembered, Ruby Olaye and family

July 14 at 5:31 PM



Anonymous sent a sympathy card to the Francis family.

July 14 at 3:09 PM



Shirley lit a candle in honor of Leandre.

July 14 at 2:21 PM





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Lucy posted:

Our Fond memories of Mrs. Francis go way back to when the Real Truth SDA Church was based at Blodgett St. She was like a second mom to some of whose moms were separated by seas. We remember her as a caring and loving person always concerned when one of us did not show up at church. She loved to sing and on Sabbath you could hear her alto as it echoed through the room and as it blended in with the rest of the voices as we worshiped our God with Song. Mrs. Francis was just one of those people that you could forget when you met. I know she loved the Lord and served Him with all her might. I know that she rests peacefully in the Lord and when our Savior calls her on that Glorious Morning, she along with all our loved ones who sleep in their dusty bed shall arise to receive our long awaited King. Be comforted Family remember that death is well familiar with the King of Heaven. He alone can heal and bind your broken hearts, He alone can beautifully turn your sorrow into joy. May He hold you all closer may He fill the emptiness that you feel May He incline His ear to your cries and comfort you as a Parent would. Kiamba Family.

July 14 at 10:43 AM



Claudette shared 2 photos to the **Claudette's Memory Album** album.



July 14 at 6:42 AM



Venetia Baldwin posted:

Praying for your family and wishing you God's peace and comfort. Love you!

July 14 at 6:01 AM



Eunette lit a candle in honor of Leandre.

Leandre Francis was a darling. My family knows her well and called her Sis Francis. A stalwart child of God she was, believing His Word and obeying its precepts... she was warm, loving and compassionate and exemplified Christian virtues.. my family mourns her passing but we are comforted that she is only in a deep sleep until Jesus resurrects her to a brand new life to live with him throughout eternity. The Warner family.. St.Kitts



July 13 at 2:51 PM



Rosiland Walker July 14 at 4:36 AM

So for loss of mother. Pray for you.



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AT

Annette M. Thomas posted:

My name is Annette Thomas and I worked with Mrs. Francis at Hobby Elementary School, HISH. While there with her, she was a joy to work with and a good friend to have. Her love for teaching was unlike no other. Every student mattered to her and their success was a must. She left no child behind. Because of her dedication for her profession, our children, coworkers, parent's and community were blessed. GOD Bless you all her family and my Sympathy as well as Prayers are with you. Love you Mrs. Francis, rest my Sister in Peace.

July 13 at 1:23 PM

CB

Carolyn Baker posted:

I worked with Mrs. Francis at Hobby Elementary. She was a very sweet lady. Sorry for your lost. I worked in the front office as the Attendance Clerk. I would call and invite her to the Hobby breakfast...will send out a text to the Hobby Family about her services. Carolyn Baker.

July 13 at 10:50 AM

RJ

Ramona Johnson lit a candle in honor of Leandre.

I choose the color purple because I know that was your favorite color

July 12 at 3:05 PM





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Ramona Johnson posted:

I met Sis Francis at Real Truth SDA Church. Sis Francis was the Sabbath School's Superintendent. When I met her I immediately gravitated to her as if I had know her all my life. Sis Francis sang a particular song every Sabbath morning to open Sabbath school (a song I had never heard before). As I listened to the words of that song as she sang them it had such an impact on how good, loving and kind our heavenly Father truly is. Every Friday at sunset I would text the title of that song to my family. "Safely Through Another Week" became my favorite Friday night sunset song that I would sing. I thank God for bringing Sis Francis into my life and I know she and I will meet once again when Jesus come. I will deeply miss Sis Francis

July 12 at 3:01 PM



Batsheba Ondari July 13 at 7:02 AM

I will miss Sis Francis hugs and kisses. Her singing especially "Day is Dying in the West". She made contributions during sermons. Very hospitable personality. I look forward to the resurrection day when we will reunite with her and Jesus. May God comfort the Francis family in their time of grief.



Claudette shared 7 photos to the **Claudette's Memory Album** album.



July 12 at 11:15 AM



Nyasha Oxley posted:

As I go through the memories I have of Sister Francis, I came across the song, "How far from home". Well, Sister Francis, it won't be too far now. Soon, you will be in the arms of your King, the one you've waited for and praised throughout your life of service and love. When we came to Real Truth, where I met you, you were the first to invite us to your home. Thank you. Thank you for the love you have shown us. To the Francis family, please accept on behalf of the Oxley family our deepest sympathy. We grieve with you and we celebrate with you the gift of your wife/mom/grandmom. Please continue to take comfort in the Word of God knowing that death is swallowed up in Victory because the time is coming when there will be no more death, pain or sorrow and no more separation. God bless and comfort. Love from Nyasha, on behalf of my husband Seth and children Amiyah, Abigail, and Asaiah OxleyPs. I thought I'd share some of the videos and photos I have.

July 12 at 12:30 PM



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Nyasha Oxley shared 11 photos to the **Memories Album** album.



July 12 at 11:15 AM



Nyasha Oxley posted:

July 12 at 11:16 AM



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July 14 at 6:42 AM



Leandre & The Kids





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July 12 at 1:38 PM



Leandre & James in ST X



Leandre and Rosita in ST X



Viola's 90th B'day Celebration in SXM



Leandre & Germaine



Leandre in SXM



Five of Us Siblings in STX



Viola with Leandre, Al, Rosita, Claudette in Aruba



Nyasha Oxley shared 11 photos to the **Memories Album** album.

July 12 at 11:40 AM



Mother's Day Celebration



Abigail's dedication



Us



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NO



With Sis. Best



With the James family



Baby shower



Two hearts united in love



NO



Sabbath school singing



Community health fair



Worship service



Baby shower



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Leandre by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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