

## Tribute to a Legend- Michael Fraser

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The chorus of the I Three "Oh, what a man ...he is a legend" resonates as we reflect on the life of our colleague, mentor, and friend – Michael Fraser

His passing reminds us of our fragile humanity.

We pause to remember that this great soul existed.

Michael radiated an inner light –that lit up all those he came across.

He made those he supervised and mentored feel valued and good. He was never preoccupied with how much he was doing but more so how what he was doing was impacting others.

His light brightened the day of all those he interfaced with. Michael was special. He had a generosity of spirit and a depth of character that was remarkable.

To be excellent at your job but to be remembered more for the lives he touched while doing his job. He was simply – a wonderful human being.

Much has been said about Michael Fraser's resume. His contribution to Life of Jamaica, and what we now know as SAGICOR is unquestionable. As a matter of fact, he has been a part of the family since our doors opened in June 1970. Hailed as a giant of the Jamaican Life Insurance industry, Mr. Fraser cared deeply about people. His dedication to our company is immeasurable. Michael was also an active Board member of the Jamaica Cancer Society and the Jamaica Medical Foundation.

Our CEO Chris Zacca shared in his reflection – "Mike was a friend to many of us and a Sagicor Life legend. A giant of the Jamaican life insurance industry, his mentorship and contribution to the development of so many of our sales professionals and executives is immeasurable. In fact, he continued to contribute to this very day as a director on several of our boards. Mike was well loved by so many of us at Sagicor and he will be deeply missed by us all."

Dave Hill, worked closely with Mike Fraser for several years and reflected, "Mike was one of a kind, with the ability to see and get the best out of the people he met, he was an optimist who always made the best out of any situation with a can do attitude filled with positivity. He had a generosity of spirit which made you trust him in doing the right thing. He was a mentor to me and I am forever in his debt for the valuable things that he taught me."

Hon. Danny Williams reflected that he first met Mike at Jamaica College as he was entering the College as he was leaving and then later as the doors opened to Life of Jamaica. As a Supervisor, Mike was showing his class as a leader of leaders. "He was a super salesman and a super leader and just a great human being. He was a good husband, father, grandfather, and just a good man."

MICHAEL A. FRASER, OD, JP, CLU had a rich and accomplished resume -

- Executive Vice President of Sagicor Life,
- President of Sagicor Life of the Cayman Islands.
- Managing Director of Sagicor Insurance Brokers
- President & CEO of Island Life Insurance Company Limited.
- President of The Life Insurance Companies Association which combined with JAGIC to form IAJ.
- President of the Jamaica Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (JAIFA).
- Chairman of the Jamaica Medical Foundation
- Member of the Hall of Fame of the Caribbean Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (CARAIFA)

Michael's contribution to Life Insurance and later Real Estate will always be spoken of but it is humanity that he will be remembered most.

He was an exemplary gentle man whose way of life is his greatest legacy -

A wonderful father and husband

A real Jamaican

A man who is always giving and contributing to voluntary organizations

A motivator of men

A superhuman being

A Gentleman

A Lover of people

A man invested in lifting others up to rise to their potential

We remember a great soul as our company, our world was better because he existed.

May flight of angels bid him to rest.