

## *Yvette Saldenha*

*Will lovingly be remembered as the:*

**Daughter of:** Elaine and Edwin Saldenha. (Both Deceased)

**Mother of:** Alicia Saldenha.

**Sister of:** Evelyn Saldenha, Robert Saldenha, Noel Saldenha (Deceased) & Michael Saldenha (Deceased).

**Aunt of:** Shauneida DePeiza-Saldenha Navarrete, Arusha DePeiza-Saldenha Lopez, Dwayne Saldenha, Devon Saldenha, Tricia Saldenha, Michelle Terrelonge, Melissa Saldenha-O'Connor & Marlon Saldenha.

**Great & Great Great Aunt of:** Many.

**Niece of:** Beulah Bedoo, Eileen Phelps, Joan and Frank Smith, Evelyn Edwards, Benjamin Edwards, Arnold Edwards, Neville Jimmy Edwards, Lionel Edwards & Carlton Edwards (All Deceased).

**Cousin of:** Lennox Edwards (Deceased), Irma Laugier, Gloria Oxley, The Saldenhas, The Phelps, The Bedoos & The Smiths.

**Mother-In-Law of:** Thomas Mueller-Langenscheidt.

**Sister-In-Law of:** Brenda Saldenha & Shirley Ann DePeiza.

**Friend of:** The O'Conner, Cruickshank, Mueller, and Pennie Families & Many others.

### **Acknowledgement**

The Family of the late **Yvette Saldenha** wish to thank all those who supported them in this time of grief, offering their kind

words, condolences, love and concern.

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# In Celebration of the Life of

## *Yvette Saldenha*



SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 1949 – JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2024

SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024

TIME: 10:30AM

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

COR. FRANKLYN & WILSON RDS, FOUR ROADS, DIEGO MARTIN

CREMATION:

ST. JAMES CREMATORIUM (17.01.2024 AT 11:30AM)

## Order of Service

Reception of the late *Yvette Saldanha*

**Opening Song:** #147: *Life Everlasting is Promised*

**Funeral Discourse:** *E. Emmanuel*

### **Announcements**

**Closing Song:** #151: *He Will Call*

**Closing Prayer:** *Leo Paul*

### **THE STAR**

**A light went out on Earth for me  
The day we said goodbye  
And on that day a star was born,  
The brightest in the sky  
Reaching through the darkness  
With its rays of purest white  
Lighting up the Heavens  
As it once lit up my life  
With beams of love to heal  
The broken heart you left behind  
Where always in my memory  
Your lovely star will shine**

**Funeral Arrangements Entrusted to:  
Dennie's Funeral Home**

*Lucien Road, Belmont Valley Road, Belmont  
Contact: 219-3311*

*"Every Life Is Unique. Therefore, Every Funeral Should Be Unique."*



would give the last dollar in her purse to someone in need. Her devotion to her family was endless, causing her niece, Melissa, to observe that she was the glue holding the family together.

A gentle and soft-spoken person, her family and close friends would tell you of the formidable, fiercely independent, and determined person she was underneath. She could also be frustratingly stubborn, as her daughter recalls. She would soften it with a sweet smile but refuse to budge once she had decided.

Yvette's great love was undoubtedly her daughter, Alicia, with whom she shared a profound bond. They were not only family, but best friends. Whether they were dancing together at weddings, sightseeing in Europe, or appearing together on television in Japan where Alicia was working, the two were unfailingly close and happy.

Yvette passed on her love of dancing and music to her daughter, who became an artist. Even towards the end of her life, when she was quite ill, you couldn't stop Yvette from dancing once a good tune came on the radio. Just ask Thomas, who remembers that she wouldn't let him sit down once they started dancing at his wedding to Alicia. She was also passionate about plants and flowers. It was impossible to take a walk with Yvette without multiple stops, when she would admire a plant at the side of the road, the flowers in someone's yard, or would ask the owner for a cutting to add to her own garden.

Yvette treasured relationships and rich experiences far more than she did material possessions. She sought a life of meaning and purpose, to be a good person, mother, sister, aunt, cousin, friend, and servant of Jehovah. She always did her best, no matter how big or small the job, and knew that each person could make a difference by the way they lived.

Hers was a remarkable, significant, and happy life. She touched so many people with her cheerful disposition, encouragement, strength, loyalty, and integrity. Her life made a difference, and that influence continues in all the loved ones she leaves behind. The world is brighter because of it.

### *Yvette We Will Miss You Dearly....*

It was a Friday. Scientists were celebrating the discovery of a new moon of Neptune, the price of gas in the United States was only 22 cents, and in Port-of-Spain General Hospital in Trinidad and Tobago, on September 30, 1949, one of the sweetest souls to grace the earth was born—Yvette Joselyn Saldenha.

She grew up in Port-of-Spain with her four siblings, Evelyn, Noel, Michael, and Robert, where they had many adventures, apparently got into several scrapes, and learned lessons that helped them overcome their humble beginnings and lead rich, meaningful lives. Though she was the youngest, her brother, Robert, called her the matriarch of the family, as she was a natural leader, and took care of everyone.

Yvette attended cosmetology school and worked at a beauty salon, eventually starting her own hairdressing business from home, while single-handedly raising her young daughter, Alicia. Inside her petite frame was a tower of strength and fortitude, which served as inspiration for Alicia as she grew up.

After an apprenticeship at the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, Yvette became a switchboard operator in 1989. In the bank's own Bereavement Notice, they write that owing to her outstanding customer service and interpersonal skills, they enhanced her job role and re-designated her position to Communications Receptionist in 2005. They highlight that throughout her 22 years at the bank, Yvette distinguished herself with her dedication, professionalism, positivity, warmth, welcoming voice, and willingness to help, and made many lifelong friends among her colleagues and visitors to the bank.

Yvette's kindness and generosity shone in her personal life as well, whether with family, friends, or her spiritual brothers and sisters at the Kingdom Hall. She was the first to lend a hand, share a kind word, and

### Life Everlasting is Promised

*Life everlasting is promised. Our earthly home will endure. 'Meek ones will thrive,' said the psalmist. This grand future is sure.*

**(CHORUS)**

***We can live forever. It's worth all endeavor. God's promise is faithful. His Word will come true.***

*Paradise brought to perfection;  
All of God's children set free.  
Under Jehovah's direction, Peace on earth we will see. (CHORUS)  
We can live forever. It's worth all endeavor. God's promise is faithful. His Word will come true.*

**(Chrous)**

*Soon in the grand resurrection,  
Sorrow will all disappear.  
Showering tender affection, God will dry ev'ry tear. (CHORUS) We can live forever. It's worth all endeavor. God's promise is faithful. His Word will come true.*

**(Chorus)**

### He Will Call

*Life, like a mist, appears for just a day,  
Then disappears tomorrow.  
All that we are can quickly fade away,  
Replaced with tears and sorrow  
If a man should die, can he live again?  
Hear the promise God has made:*

**(CHORUS)**

***He will call; The dead will answer  
They will live at his command  
For he will have a longing  
For the work of his own hand. So have faith, and do not wonder  
For our God can make us stand. And we will live forever,  
As the work of his own hand.***

*Friends of our God, though they may pass away,  
Will never be forsaken.  
All those asleep who in God's mem'ry stay,  
From death he will awaken.  
Then we'll come to see all that life can be:  
Paradise eternally.  
**(Chorus)***

