## Douglas Conrad Baptiste

Dauglas Baptiste passed away suddenly at his home in Hamilton on Thursday, May 4, 2023 in his 77th year. Loving husband to Sue, and much-loved father of Nathaniel (Tracy), Charles (Drea) and Sarah (Tamer), and remembered by Sarah's mother Susan. Predeceased by his father Raymond (2003) and mother Glenna (2023). Brother to Anthony (Roberta) and Greta (David). Caring and involved grandfather to Xavier. Cherished uncle to thirteen nieces and nephews and great uncle to twenty-five great nieces and nephews.

Douglas 'Doogie' was born in Gonzales, Port of Spain, Trinidad where he relished his time as a leader for the "Sheikhers." The Sheikhers engaged in their community in many ways influencing his passion for his home and caring for others. He Immigrated to Canada in 1968 and began his long career in social work. Douglas dedicated his career to helping troubled youth and their families. He focused his practice upon mentally ill

and violent youth, providing a safe and nurturing environment for them to thrive. His compassion and understanding made a significant impact on the lives of many, and will be remembered as a true mentor and hero to those he helped.

Douglas had many passions, including the art of working with wood for which he gained many accolades. He was always eager to share his knowledge and experience with others and loved spending time in his home workshop.

Douglas loved cooking and good food! His meals were always a hit among family and friends. He especially loved when he could bring his family and friends together through his love of food.

Friends and family are invited to an open house celebration of life for Douglas at his home, 65 Harold Court, Hamilton on Wednesday, May 10th from 4:00 to 8:00.

