



## Dr. Samuel Sampson

April 29, 1961 - January 15, 2024

Dr. Samuel Setewayo Sampson, Jr., affectionately known as Sam J or Boy. Born in San Fernando, Trinidad, on April 29, 1961, Dr. Samuel Sampson was destined for greatness from the very beginning.

Growing up in Trinidad, he attended Fyzabad Senior Comprehensive School, where he not only excelled academically but also demonstrated his athletic prowess.

Dr. Sampson was a champion, earning the title of 110m men's hurdle champion in Trinidad and Tobago. His high school achievements reached their peak when he became the valedictorian and Victor Ludorum, leaving an indelible mark on his alma mater.

Dr. Sampson continued his journey in pursuit of knowledge, earning a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science in 1992 from Prairie View A&M University. His academic journey did not stop there, as he went on to study comparative politics and international relations at Texas A&M University, and achieve a Master of Education in Public Administration and, finally, a Doctor of Philosophy in Public Policy Analysis in 2009 from Southern University and Agricultural & Mechanical college at Baton Rouge and Texas A&M.

His academic achievements were accompanied by numerous honors and awards, including induction into the Prairie View A&M University Sports Hall of Fame. As a sportsman and scholar, Dr. Sampson demonstrated excellence both on and off the field.

Post-college, Dr. Sampson continued to shine, receiving accolades such as the Staff of the Year Award in 2012 and the PVAMU Panther Award, the highest university student award.

Dr. Sampson's dedication to wellness and education shone through his pivotal role as the Research & Evaluation Chairperson for the inaugural Pathway To Total You Wellness Health Conference at Prairie View A&M University. Additionally, he co-led an award-winning research initiative titled "Food Insecurity and Homelessness Among Students attending an HBCU," marking the first study conducted at an 1890 Land Grant Institution. This groundbreaking research inspired the implementation of PVAMU Hilltop Reserve, providing students with access to fresh produce, meats, and nonperishable food items.

Outside the academic realm, Dr. Sampson extended his influence, actively engaging in various organizations such as the Trinidad and Tobago Association of Houston and distinguished honor societies. Furthermore, as the co-founder of QualQuan Group LLC, specializing in statistical analysis, predictive modeling, and data mining, he demonstrated his commitment to advancing research methodologies.

His diverse affiliations, including his cherished fraternity,

Alpha Phi Alpha, Inc., underscored his unwavering dedication to brotherhood and service. Dr. Sampson's multifaceted contributions left an indelible mark, impacting both the academic and social spheres he so passionately embraced.

Dr. Sampson's favorite line was "Here comes the Notorious B.I.G." which was a demonstration of his fun spirit and

always reminded people to never sweat the small stuff and that everyone deserves grace, which encapsulated his approach to life. His hobbies included listening to Parang music, watching track and field, football, basketball, and cricket, reading, cooking, baking, and dancing. He found joy in crunching numbers, taking care of the Sandra Bland memorial, telling corny jokes, enjoying Trini food, donning his famous Halloween costume across campus, and spending quality time with family.

As we bid farewell to this extraordinary soul, let us remember Dr. Samuel S. Sampson, Jr. for his accomplishments, his passion for life, and the love he shared with each person he encountered. May his spirit live on in our hearts, and may we find inspiration in the legacy of Dr. Samuel Setewayo Sampson, Jr.

Dr. Samuel S. Sampson, Jr. was preceded in death by his parents Samuel Setewayo Sampson, Sr. and Rebecca Theresa Sampson. He leaves to mourn six siblings; Avion Thibous, Margaret Sampson, Madonna Doyle, Arthur Sampson, Lionel Sampson, and Marion Sampson. Two Nephews; Michael Sampson and Samuel Doyle. Three nieces; Apphia Sampson, Pecious Doyle and Kyla Searles.

Two Sisters in Law; Jocelyn Sampson and Sharon Sampson. One Brother in law; Elton Doyle. One aunt; Hester Sampson and an uncle; Hasdrubai Sampson. Additionally a few members of his extended family Kelton Smith and his wife Carmen Contreras. His long time friend and business partner Danielle Hairston Green and a host of other friends, family, and community members.

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# Cemetery Details

**Private**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JAN **23**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Singleton & Sons Funeral Home  
627 New Orleans  
Hempstead, TX 77445  
(979) 826-2425  
info@singletonandsonsfh.com  
<https://www.singletonandsonsfh.com>

### Funeral Service

JAN **24**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Johnson-Phillip All Faiths Chapel  
Campus of Prairie View A&M University  
Prairie View, TX 77446

# Tribute Wall

HG

“ Sending heartfelt condolences to the family and PVU family of Dr. Samuel Sampson. I had the pleasure of working and knowing this kind loving gentle giant of a man. Rest easy my friend.

Helaine Guillory - January 27, 2024 at 09:56 AM

TL

“ Dr. Sampson was very kind and encouraging! He always had a smile and devoted time and effort to the PVAMU community! He will be missed!! My condolences to the family!

Timothy Lawrence - January 25, 2024 at 08:40 AM

CS

“ <https://pvutube.hosted.panopto.com/Panopto/Pages/Viewer.aspx?id=3fca6d87-82a9-4f10-8235-b10101649935&start=7.665604#>

Charlene Stubblefield - January 24, 2024 at 06:48 PM

CS

[Link to Dr. Sampson Services...](#)

Charlene Stubblefield - January 24, 2024 at 06:49 PM

MT

Thank you for sharing Mrs. Stubblefield. ❤️🙏

Mary Watson Thompson - January 29, 2024 at 01:12 AM

MT

Condolences to the Family. ❤️🙏

Mary Watson Thompson - January 29, 2024 at 10:56 AM

NT

“ *Dr. Samspon was a kind man and an amazing co-worker. He was so full of life. I will never forget the hghly entertaining job he did as an MC at our conference last August. My most sincere condolences to his family and friends. He will be missed.*



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**Nathan Tucker** - January 24, 2024 at 11:17 AM

PO

“ *Dr. Sampson will truly be missed but never forgotten. His gracious smile lighten the room and made everyone feel welcome and important. Dr. Sampson served the university and students with a humble heart and dignity. Dr. Sampson shared his time and wisdom with staff, students, parents, and friends. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends as we share in their loss. Rest well in Heaven! Job well Done! Dr. Sampson.*

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**Powell** - January 24, 2024 at 11:09 AM

NT

“ *Nathan T. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Samuel Sampson.*

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**Nathan T.** - January 24, 2024 at 11:08 AM

AM

“*Dr. Samuel Sampson was always very kind and welcoming and kept a smile on his face--no matter the circumstance. His deep and enduring love for Prairie View A&M University was matched only by his love for his native Trinidad. He had impressive work ethics yet, somehow, managed to not also play hard. Quite often he could be found in the office working long hours and on the weekends. Yet, somehow, he managed to be actively involved in the cultural and social activities he loved, such as PVAMU sports and the Trinidad and Tobago Association of Texas. He also voluntarily and personally maintained the Sandra Bland memorial located on University Drive. At a time where generosity of spirit is not always in an abundance, his will most certainly be missed. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family and friends as we share in your loss.*

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**Angela Moore** - January 24, 2024 at 10:14 AM

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*(Edited)*

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**Angela Moore** - January 24, 2024 at 10:20 AM

JN

“ I am forever grateful for your faithful support, warm disposition, and gentle, disarming spirit. You will be missed.

Jennifer Nickell - January 24, 2024 at 09:19 AM

AP

“ Gone but not forgotten. We miss you brother. Looking forward to that great day when I see you on the other side.

Alfred L. Parks - January 24, 2024 at 08:29 AM

ML

“ Melicent "Marie" Lewis lit a candle in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson



Melicent "Marie" Lewis - January 23, 2024 at 06:36 PM

ML

Praying for the entire family. Dr. Sampson smile and warm greeting I will always remember.

Melicent "Marie" Lewis - January 23, 2024 at 06:38 PM

JS

“ Judy Kistow, Rayelle & Jamal Skinner purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Dr. Samuel Sampson.



Judy Kistow, Rayelle & Jamal Skinner - January 23, 2024 at 09:21 AM

MB

“ *Melanie Bean lit a candle in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson*



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**Melanie Bean** - January 22, 2024 at 05:46 PM

MB

“ *Rest in peace, my friend. I miss you already.*

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**Melanie Bean** - January 22, 2024 at 05:45 PM

EJ

“ *Eric J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Dr. Samuel Sampson.*

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**Eric J.** - January 22, 2024 at 01:09 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Samuel Sampson.*



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January 22, 2024 at 01:09 PM

JB

“*Joyce M. Bean lit a candle in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson*



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**Joyce M. Bean** - January 22, 2024 at 12:26 PM

SC

“*My heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of Dr. Samuel Sampson. I have many fond memories of Samuel. Samuel and I along with Sue Simpleton carpoled together for many years to Prairie View A&M University. He was a kind hearted and friendly man. Very Proud of his homeland Trinidad. I will forever treasure his kindness, friendship, smile, and the souvenirs that he gave me after his return visits from Trinidad. Samuel loved Prairie View A&M University, his career , and helping students. May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ grant each of you acceptance and peace in your bereavement.  
Rest in peace my friend.  
Sincerely,  
Sheila Cleveland*

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**Sheila Cleveland** - January 22, 2024 at 01:27 AM

KT

“*Kathryn Thompson lit a candle in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson*



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**Kathryn Thompson** - January 21, 2024 at 10:07 PM

CS

“ Rest in peace my friend you will truly be missed .



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**Carolyn Stevenson** - January 21, 2024 at 06:20 PM

BE

“ BEVERLYMURRAY lit a candle in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson



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**BEVERLYMURRAY** - January 20, 2024 at 01:07 PM

PB

“ Pamula Brooks sent a virtual gift in memory of Dr. Samuel Sampson



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**Pamula Brooks** - January 20, 2024 at 11:22 AM

IC

“ *To the family of Dr Sampson  
I met Dr Sampson many years ago at  
PVAMU. I found him to be an awesome  
young man. He was always friendly and a  
pleasant person to talk with. The last time we  
talked was at the grocery store. I am so sorry for your loss. I pray  
that God will give you comfort and strength and peace during this  
difficult time. He will be missed.*



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**Ida Campbell** - January 20, 2024 at 10:18 AM