

## **MR. CHRISPIN CHURCHILL FERGUSON**

Chrispin Churchill Ferguson affectionately called (“Chris or “Coach”) was passionate about the improvement of young people through sports. He attended St. Augustine’s College (“SAC”), Nassau, Bahamas. After graduating from St. Augustine’s College (“SAC”), Chrispin entered the teaching profession as a Physical Education Instructor at the Jordan Prince Williams High School. Having the desire to pursue his knowledge in the art of physical education, he began studies at Prairie View University, Prairie View Texas in 1979. In May 1982, Chrispin successfully completed his training at Prairie View University and was awarded a Bachelor of Science Degree in Health, Physical Education and Recreation and Sports.

Believing in the Bahamas and its development and the advancement of its people, Chrispin returned home to take a teaching position as a Physical Education and Spanish teacher at St. Augustine’s College, his alma mater until 1990.

While at SAC, Chrispin served as Bernard House Moderator, Senior Boys Softball Coach, Track and Field coach, Junior Boys Basketball coach, Junior Boys Volleyball coach, and Director of Physical education Club where he enjoyed many first-place finishes.

Chrispin was a member of the North American, Central American and Caribbean Track and Field Coaches Association; Bahamas Umpires and Scorers Association; and Statistician, First Bahamas Games. Additionally, he assisted management with The Flamingo Softball Team and Pony Baseball League.

While at Prairie View A & M University, Chrispin served as President of the student body of the Texas Association for Health, Physical Education and Recreational Sports. He also received the President’s Honor Roll, Prairie View A & M University and was listed in Who’s Who among students in American Universities and Colleges. Chrispin received an Honorary Coach award from Brenham State School, Texas.

Chrispin was not satisfied with mediocrity and always set high standards. He loved sports. He was a true educator, who believed in his students and led by example.

Chrispin Churchill Ferguson creed reads as follows:

I am a teacher of Physical Education by choice and not by chance.

I believe in the Bahamas; I dedicate my life to its development and the advancement of its people.

I will strive to set before my students by my deeds and actions the highest standard of citizenship for the community, and the nation.

I will endeavor to develop professionally through study, travel, and exploration.

I will not knowingly wrong my fellow teacher. I will defend him as far as honesty permits.

I will work for the advancement of Physical Education, and I will defend it in my community and nation.

I will work in harmony with school authorities and other teachers at the school. My love for people will spur me on to impart something from my life that will help make for each of my students a full and happy future.

After a life dedicated to the development of sports he transitioned from life to death on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1991.