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MEDIA RELEASE

TTPS Honours Pioneering First Acting Female Commissioner, Ann Marie Alleyne-Daly (1957-2023)

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) is honouring the life and contributions of its first acting female commissioner Ann Marie Alleyne-Daly.

Alleyne-Daly, who sadly passed away last night at the Sangre Grande General Hospital, is being described as a “lady of first,” having been the first policewoman to act as commissioner of police in 2014, among other accolades. She was 66-years-old.

The Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP), who retired in January 2017, had an expansive 41-year policing career, which dated back to her enlistment into the TTPS on September 3, 1976, at the age of 18.

Alleyne-Daly joined the noble profession with a compliment of 21 other women who were all a part of the J Squad. At their passing out parade in April 1977, she was awarded one of the most coveted awards in criminal law.

At that time, there were just about 100 women in the TTPS overall.

A "Belmont girl," her decorated career of "firsts" commenced with her debut as the first policewoman to be attached to the Carenage Police Station, Western Division.

In November 2010, she became the first woman to head one of the most elite branches in the TTPS – the Special Branch.

She also acted as commissioner of police during the controversial ‘Total Day of Policing’ on March 23, 2015, which demanded a distinct degree of leadership.

Two and a half years later, after her posting to Special Branch, Alleyne-Daly was appointed by the Police Service Commission to act in the Office of Deputy Commissioner of Police (DCP), Operations – the first female to occupy this senior post.

She later went on to act as DCP Administration and had actually acted in the rank of Commissioner of Police on at least 10 other occasions. During these stints, she demonstrated her unwavering commitment to enhancing the quality of lives of all police officers, women in particularly.

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The retired ACP had a "special" place in her heart for women police officers within the TTPS.

She always stressed the importance of an all-round education and maintaining a proper work-life balance.

As such, she maintained upward mobility, making intentional efforts in her personal life and professional career.

Throughout her career, she earned a BSc in Sociology and Management and a Post Graduate Diploma in International Relations from the University of the West Indies.

She further added three Masters in the disciplines of Educational Psychology, Criminology and Business Administration to her list of educational accomplishments all of which she attained on a part-time basis, while remaining committed to her role and responsibilities of a police officer.

She was also instrumental in the promulgation of the Child Protection Unit.

Commissioner of Police Erla Harewood-Christopher, the Executive and rank of file of the TTPS express their heartfelt appreciation for her service to the Organisation and country and offer their deepest condolences to her family, loved ones, and friends, who would all remember her most lovingly.

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