

Tributes to Amy Bailey

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Prime Minister Michael Manley says Jamaica owes much to Amy Bailey for the contribution she made to the country's economic, social and national development.

He described her as "a lady of sterling character and integrity, and a pioneer in many areas of Jamaican life."

"I am delighted that she knew, while she lived, of the nation's appreciation of her work with the award of the Order of Jamaica to her," Manley said.

And Opposition Leader, Edward Seaga, said he was proud to be associated with Bailey's efforts in housecraft when he was Minister of Youth and Community Development. Though her death is a great loss, Seaga said she leaves the

country a legacy of selfless social service.

Minister of Labour and Welfare, Sports Portia Simpson described Bailey as "one of Jamaica's most distinguished and patriotic daughters." Simpson added that Bailey's work in the field of education and training was legendary.

"A woman of indomitable spirit she was never afraid to speak or write against injustice, and she often stood alone for what was right," the Minister said, adding that her life was characterised by her willingness to give and she did so unstintingly.

Bailey's work, she explained, is well known throughout Jamaica and the West Indies.