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SHEARER'S JOURNEY

May 18, 1923 – Born in Martha Brae, Trelawny

> **1931-1935** – Attended Falmouth Primary School

1936-1940 – Attended St. Simon's College

1941-1946 – Journalist at the Jamaican Worker newspaper

1947 – Assistant general secretary, BITU

1947-1951 – Member, Kingston and St. Andrew Corporation

1947 - Awarded Colonial Development and Welfare Trade Union Scholarship

1953 – Island supervisor, BITU

1955-1959 – Member of the House of Representatives

1960 - Vice-president, BITU

1962-1967 – Member, Legislative Council; Deputy Chief of Mission for Jamaica, United Nations General Assembly **1966** – Member, Jamaican delegation at the Commonwealth Prime Ministers' Conference

1967-1993 – Member of Parliament, Southern Clarendon

1967-1972 – Prime Minister **1972-1974** – Leader of the Opposition

1972 – Returned to trade union

1977 - President, BITU

1980-1986 – Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade

1986-1989 – Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Industry and Commercè

1992 – Chairman, Joint Trade Unions Research Development Centre

1993 – Founder and patron Association of Senior Citizens Clubs

1994 – President, Jamaica Confederation of Trade Unions

1994 - Conferred with the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws by the UWI

1998 – Married Dr. Denise Eldemire 2004 – Died

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