

Garry Francis

Celebrating Life Ministries - Life Celebration Specialist



My Connection with Celebrating Life:

My name is Garry Francis. I am an associate minister of the Durham development team with Celebrating Life Ministries. I'm proud to be part of the Life Celebrations team with of over 30 Professional Certified Life Celebrants to serve you.

My Personal Story:

- I was born in Port of Spain, Trinidad West Indies. I immigrated to Canada in 1976. I have lived in Kitchener-Waterloo, Ajax, and Toronto. I also lived for two years in Steinbach, Manitoba. I presently reside in Whitby, Ontario in the heart of Durham.
- I am an ordained pastor a police & cruise ship chaplain, and most recently a nuclear worker.
- I live in the moment and for the moment therefore my

passion is to interact with people. The present moment is the divine moment!

My Family:

- Married to Sandra since 1988. She is my lover for life and friend forever. She hails from London, England.
- We have two children: One boy and one girl, the million dollar family. Our Timothy is mildly autistic. He is a precious gift to our family! Our Angelica lives up to "angelic" name! She is both and athlete and an artist. She is a beautiful young lady. Both our children bring pure joy to our home.

My Life Experiences:

- As a Pastor in Church life for over 20 years in five locations and two provinces I officiated at the funerals for members.
- As Chaplain of 43 Division Police Station in Toronto I am the designated celebrant for the funerals of officers.
- As Chaplain of Nesbit Lodge in Toronto (long term care facility) I officiated at the funerals for the residents.
- As a community member I was the on-call celebrant for funerals for all ages at Trull's Funeral Home on the Danforth in Toronto.

My Interests and Passions:

- My favorite sports: Badminton, table tennis & Hot-tubbing (a new sport)
- My favorite interests: long walks, live theatre, wine tasting, people watching, celebrating everything.
- My favorite music: anything I can sing along with. Oldies, Jazz, Gospel and Broadway tunes.
- My favorite foods: anything that walks on land and swims in water. Sharing desserts.

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