



## AUBREY CALLISTUS OTTLEY (1916 - 1981)

by Wayne "Facts Man" Adams

- Was born on Thursday, September 14, 1916 in Savan, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, Danish West Indies (now U. S. Virgin Islands) to Alberto and Ulbaldina (died in 1975) Ottley
- Graduated from St. Thomas' Charlotte Amalie High School in 1936, the class having a total of 36 students
- Became in 1937 a founder of the first political party in the U. S. Virgin Islands called The Progressive Guide
- Was hired around 1939, around World War II's beginning, to work for the U.S. Postal Service in St. Thomas, undertaking the task of fingerprinting
- Sold in 1939 his first art painting to IBM, being awarded the Bronze Medal for "Notable Contribution To The Art Of The World"
- Served from 1945 - 1946 within the U.S. Military being stationed in Puerto Rico
- Became in 1955 a founding member of the District Council of this territory's Boy Scouts Of America
- Became in 1961 the Post Master for the Postal Service for the area of the U.S. Virgin Islands
- Served as the Council Commissioner of the territory's Boy Scouts Of America from 1961-1975, the latter year becoming the National Representative to the Boy Scouts National Council
- Completed in 1968 his biggest (and most difficult) task in art when the restoration of certain murals on the walls of St. Thomas' Sts. Peter and Paul Cathedral was accomplished
- Served from 1973-1974 as the president of the Federal Business Association
- Retired on Friday, December 12, 1980 from the U.S. Postal Service (he based in St. Thomas) after an honorable career of at least 39 years
- Has served as the Chairman of the Board of Magens Bay Authority since its beginning and on the Board of Directors for the Virgin Islands Council on Alcoholism
- Died on Monday, February 16, 1981 at the age of 64 at his home in Savan, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, U. S. Virgin Islands
- Had on Tuesday, December 13, 1994 the St. Thomas Main Post Office building which was designed by him and his son Flavius dedicated in his honor
- Was married to Iris Scatliffe Ottley (she being born in Tortola, B.V.I.), he having 17 children

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