



## Professor Neville Britto

November 14, 1938 - August 31, 2016

Professor Neville Bernard Britto was born on November 14, 1938 in Pallavaram, India, and immigrated to the United States in 1964 and became a citizen in 1967. He passed away peacefully and joined his beloved wife, Leatha Theresa (Herd) Britto, on August 31, 2016.

Although not common in India, Neville was raised as a Catholic, having been baptized at St. Francis Xavier's Church in Pallavaram on November 27, 1938. Neville was a longtime parishioner at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Saginaw, Michigan. He earned a Bachelor's degree in English and Economics at University Nagpur, India in 1959; a Bachelor's degree in philosophy from Pontifical Urbaniana University of Rome in 1963 and a Master of Arts degree in Education from the University of Michigan in 1971.

His wonderful life was marked by an intense love for his wife and dedication to his family, students and community. He was also a tireless champion of diversity and social justice. He encouraged those who thought they had no hope, to succeed. He prodded those who were more fortunate to "do the right thing."

On November 22, 1974 Neville married Leatha, a widowed, passionate community activist and educator, and began a family that included seven children from her previous marriage, Stephanie Elaine Smith-Wilson (Fred),

Herbert Junior (Vanessa) Herd, Keith Bolivar (Connie) Herd, Ronald Cortez (Priscilla) Herd, Theresa Maria (Tommie) Gipson, Joseph Bernard (Verlona) Herd, Kathleen Regina (Richard) Brown. Leatha and Neville were known for their garden and international meals at family gatherings. Until they became ill, they traveled throughout the U.S. as well as to such locations as Italy, France, Copenhagen, Canada and India.

Neville's career in education spanned more than fifty years and as a result, he had the honor of teaching multiple generations of families. He served in the Saginaw Catholic Diocese school system as an elementary school teacher, and elementary school principal (1964-1974). He also served as a secondary school teacher at Bridgeport (Michigan) Community School (1974-1980).

Professor Britto began working at Delta College, University City (Bay City, Michigan), in August 1980. He was a lead instructor at the college's Ricker and First Ward Centers and also taught on campus. He taught Freshman Composition, Elements of Grammar, Honors Advanced Composition, and literature. Well loved by students, colleagues and all other faculty and staff who had an opportunity to know and work with him, Neville was a caring, thoughtful teacher and author. His mother was British and his father Indian, and his book, *Building Rainbows in My Life – The Best of E Pluribus Unum*, celebrated diversity and was often used in secondary and post-secondary settings. "The differences we have are priceless, and we need to continue to respect all those who have other differences," he wrote.

During his tenure at Delta, Neville achieved numerous honors and awards. A recipient of the Bergstein Award for Teaching Excellence (twice – in 1988 and 2000), Neville also received the Don Laughner Award for Creative Change, the League for Innovation "Innovation of the Year" Award, the Champion of Diversity and Inclusion Award, the American Association of University Professors Service Award, the Spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Award, and

other awards from the Two-Year College Association, St. Joseph's Parish, Nouvel High School and the United Way, just to name a few.

Neville's work in the community included serving as President of the Public Libraries of the Saginaw Board, Chair of the Westlund Child Guidance Clinic Board, Trustee of the Saginaw Valley Rehabilitation Center (SVRC) Board, member of the Saginaw Advocacy for Individuals with Disabilities Board, Past Treasurer of the Two-Year College Association, Past Chair of Delta's Equity Board and a member of the college's Human Resource Committee.

Neville leaves to cherish his memory, two sisters Emeline Lemos (Jabalpur, India); June Britto (Bangalore, India); one brother, Rodney Britto (Copenhagen, Denmark); a special niece and nephew, Cheryl Ann Collaco and Kenneth Lemus; brother-in-law, James (Olivia) French); seven stepchildren; 23 grandchildren; 35 great grandchildren; numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

Neville was preceded in death by his parents Cecil Anthony Britto and Marjorie Irene (Walford) Britto, his brother Rev. Kenneth Britto, and his wife Leatha (DOD August 3, 2016).

The family wishes to thank the Delta College and Saginaw communities and everyone whose paths intersected with Neville throughout his life.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions be made to St. Joseph Parish (Saginaw, Michigan) , Saginaw Public Libraries and Saginaw Advocacy for Individuals with Disabilities (SAID) a subsidiary of SVRC Industries, Inc.

Neville's Philosophy in Life and Teaching:

"We are not like machine-made objects. We are more than just matter; we have feelings and experiences...material comfort alone is not enough...We need something deeper...human affection."

Source: Dalai Lama. *The Compassionate Life*. Boston: Wisdom Publications, 2001. 7. Print.

Funeral service will take place at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, September 12, 2016 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 936 North 6th Street. Father Frank Voris, O.S.M. cap will officiate with interment in Mt. Olivet Cemetery. Friends may call at the Evans & Browne's Funeral Home, 441 North Jefferson Avenue on Sunday from 2:00 until 8:00 p.m. Family hour from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. with a 7:00 p.m. prayer vigil.

# Cemetery Details

## Mt. Olivet Cemetery

3440 S. Washington Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP 11. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Evans & Browne's Funeral Home  
441 N. Jefferson Avenue  
Saginaw, MI 48607  
(989) 754-0481  
evansbrownes@gmail.com  
<https://www.evansbrownesfuneralhome.com>

## Family Hour

SEP 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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## Funeral Service

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SEP **12**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
936 North 6th Street  
Saginaw, MI 48601

# Tribute Wall



“ *Evans & Browne's Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Browne's Mortuary** - September 19, 2016 at 12:32 PM

JO

“ *JoEllen lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**JoEllen** - March 23, 2017 at 06:41 PM

BR

“ *Mr. Britto was an inspiration to my life and I will never forget how much he believed in me. I will always miss Mr. Britto and the values he taught me on life.*

*Bria*

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**Bria** - October 11, 2016 at 01:35 PM

OJ

“ Orlando Jones lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Orlando Jones** - September 21, 2016 at 11:54 AM

AM

“ Amanda lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Amanda** - September 17, 2016 at 09:36 PM

PW

“ Patricia A. Williams lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Patricia A. Williams** - September 14, 2016 at 03:03 PM

LH

“ A spectacular human being. We had many memorable times at Tyca with both Leatha and Neville. Taught me to love Indian good and to this day I have a cookbook he sent me so I could cook here at home since there is not an Indian restaurant in the small town in which I live in Ohio. He will be missed. My sincere sympathies to his entire family.

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**Linda Houston** - September 12, 2016 at 04:07 PM

NT

“ *Nancy Troutmon lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Nancy troutmon** - September 12, 2016 at 02:09 PM

NT

*Professor Britto was a great teacher. I'm glad I had the chance to meet him.*

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**Nancy troutmon** - September 12, 2016 at 02:10 PM

YG

“ *I Loved Mr.Britto He Was My Principal At Sacred Heart.  
He was So kind And A Gentle Soul Even Though He Was Small In  
Stature He was  
Very Patient Man.  
Mr.Britto Touched So Many  
And I'M I Met Him.  
LOVE YOU  
RIP MR. BRITTO*

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**YVETTE GRANBERRY** - September 12, 2016 at 10:59 AM

MA

“ I knew Neville from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish so many years ago when I was a teenager. I always admired him because he was so friendly and involved with the parish community. The last time I saw him was on August 6 at church - he wanted to tell me his wife, Leatha, had died. After reading his humble accomplishments in his obit, I am reminded of a quote by Erma Bombeck, "When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and could say, 'I used everything you gave me'." Well done good and faithful servant. You have touched many, many lives with your kindness. My deepest sympathy to his family.

*Mary Miller Vogelpohl*

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**MARY** - September 12, 2016 at 10:06 AM

JP

“ Judith Powe lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Judith Powe** - September 11, 2016 at 06:07 PM

SO

“ I thank God for Leatha and Neville, such justice loving and compassionate friends. To be able to be with them as their love of each other was budding and blooming was a beautiful sight to behold. To witness Neville as principal and educator enhancing education in Saginaw was blessing. To be able to watch their sincere concern for family, to celebrate with them, to read about them always left me with an uplifted spirit.

So when word reached me in Baltimore that they both had returned to God I began counting the many gifts they have bestowed on us - their friends, family, community, students, co-workers, etc. The ripple effects of their good lives have touched the world. Gratitude to each of you in the Herd and Britto families for your generous gift to all of us. We pray with and for you as we share remembrances.  
With love, Sister Ardeth Platte, O.P.

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**Sister Ardeth Platte, O.P.** - September 11, 2016 at 01:28 PM

LG

“ I was sorry to hear that Mr. Britto had passed away. He was one of my teachers at Sacred Heart School. He had a true respect for learning and for helping all students. Years later I saw him at some Diversity and Inclusion Conferences and it was great to re-connect and see that he was still having a positive impact on students, faculty and staff at Delta College and beyond. He taught many students and throughout his life he continued to give back to his community with his work for social justice and equity. Thanks to him for his commitment and work to make the world a more kind and just place. My sincere sympathy goes to his entire family.

*Laura Gonzales*

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**Laura Gonzales** - September 11, 2016 at 11:28 AM

MS

“ Rest in peace. You are with the love of your life. You answered to the whispers of the Angels.. My thoughts and prayers to the family.

Mrs Richard Brown Sr - September 10, 2016 at 11:14 PM

ES

“ Professor Neville Britto you will be deeply missed. Always had a word of encouragement, very wise, intelligent man. Just a fantastic Instructor.  
Peace!!

Ethel Nadiyah Shaheed, (Robert), and Family

Ethel Nadiyah Shaheed - September 10, 2016 at 08:01 PM

DC

“ He, of course, has been one of the classic gentlemen of the world. Not many of them around.

Don Carlyon

Don Carlyon - September 10, 2016 at 04:07 PM

DS

“ DENISE SYKES lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



DENISE SYKES - September 10, 2016 at 04:06 PM

CJ

“ Chris, Wayne Jernigan sent a virtual gift in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Chris, Wayne Jernigan** - September 10, 2016 at 08:03 AM

AL

“ Going to miss Mr and Mrs Britto always a lovely couple well dressed and always smiling  
Now you are together again  
You will be missed very much



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**Andrea lopex** - September 10, 2016 at 07:28 AM

ZM

“ What a great Instructor, mentor, educator, and so many other great things I could say but I'm so bittersweet to hear of Professor Britto's passing I'm so grateful to God for placing him in my path Mr. Britto gave me hope... May God give his entire family peace and strength.... Zetna Green, Pass student



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**Zetna Green, Saginaw, MI** - September 10, 2016 at 01:39 AM

BM

“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of Professor Britto. I would like to extend my condolences to his family and extended families.

*Professor Britto was my instructor at Delta College (Ricker Annex). He was such a caring and brilliant instructor and was always eager to help. I will always remember his teachings and how he always added just a little more than just a teacher. I feel I am a better person today because of his kindness teachings.*

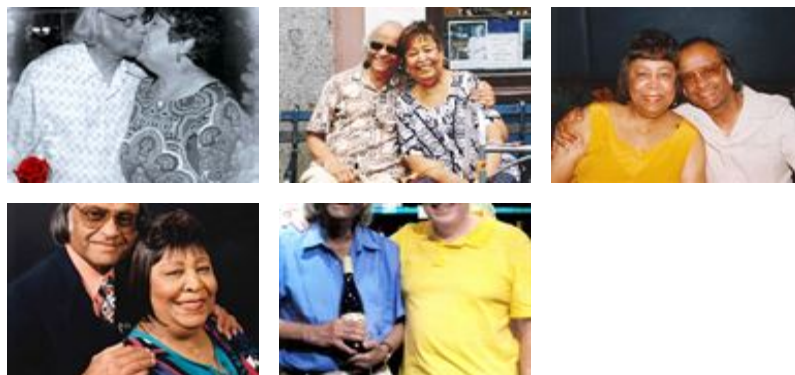
*To his Family, he was one of a kind and I am happy to have known him!*

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**Betty Mitchell** - September 09, 2016 at 04:38 PM



“ 59 files added to the album Life Tributes



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**Browne's Mortuary** - September 09, 2016 at 03:10 PM



“ I would like to express my sincere condolences to the family of Mr. Britto. I feel very fortunate to say that I was one of His students at Sacred Heart( 8th grade 1972). Mr. Britto always encouraged you to be and do your best, and if there was anything that he could do to help you achieve those goals he would. To his family you are in my thoughts and prayers.



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**David Stephenson** - September 09, 2016 at 11:52 AM



“ My sincerest condolences to the entire Herd, and Britto families. I don't know why but I remember Stephanie very well. In 1971 I lived across the street from you all. With all the other brothers and sisters I just don't remember you all. Being a little older this happens. But my Prayers are with you all.



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**Doretta Williams** - September 09, 2016 at 08:37 AM



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**Doretta Williams** - September 09, 2016 at 08:34 AM

JS

“ *Jamie Sanders-Hicks lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Jamie Sanders-Hicks** - September 09, 2016 at 07:56 AM

BP

“ *There are no words that can express how sorry we were to hear about the passing of Neville. Betty and I were stunned to hear the news from Herb and Keith. During this difficult time our thoughts and prayers are with the family. We will always cherish the happy times times we shared with Leatha and Neville during our visits to Saginaw and their visit with us in Calgary.*

*Betty & Carl Powell  
Calgary AB Canada  
carbett@shaw.ca*

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**Betty & Carl Powell** - September 08, 2016 at 10:14 PM

MB

“ *What a kind wonderful man. Reading his obituaries and all the comments is a testament of the many that loved him. I took care of him at St. Mary's of Michigan. A kind gentle soul.*

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**Mary Bator** - September 08, 2016 at 09:03 PM

TW

“ He was a great great man, man I'm going to miss talking to him and taking my paper so he can tell me my wrongs and rights for other classes mannnnwalking into Ricker won't ever be the same no more RIH Mr. Britto I learned a lot from you



Treci Williams - September 08, 2016 at 08:13 PM

EW

“ Ellen B Waxman lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



Ellen B Waxman - September 08, 2016 at 04:02 PM

DF

“ Dana & Family lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



Dana & Family - September 08, 2016 at 01:08 PM

ST

He was my "language arts" teacher at Sacred Heart!! Thanks for the award after my last year there, that was great!

Steve - September 08, 2016 at 09:01 PM

BB

“ *My husband Pete was President Emeritus at Delta.  
We now live on the West Coast .  
I shall always remember his peaceful presence and great literary  
talent.  
He left me and the world a much better place.  
Blessings to his family  
Barb Boyse*

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**Barb Boyse** - September 08, 2016 at 11:12 AM

ST

“ *To the man who opened my mind to a world of possibilities. Thank  
you, may you rest in peace.*

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**steven** - September 08, 2016 at 10:55 AM

CG

“ *Mr. Britto was such a wonderful teacher, I remember being excited  
at Sacred Heart Jr. High because I would have Mr. Britto as my  
English teacher, I knew it was going to be a great year. Later when I  
returned to Saginaw and had the chance to meet Mr. Britto again at  
St. Joseph church, I was welcomed and remembered as only Mr.  
Britto could do. Over the years I have watched his great care and  
love for his wife and admired him greatly. Rest in peace Mr. Britto,  
we will all miss you! God Bless the family near and far.*

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**Christina Gayton** - September 08, 2016 at 10:35 AM

DD

“ *Simply put, I love Neville. I love how he adored Leatha, and could appreciate a fine horse. I love how he cared for his students, and was a champion for all of them who tried to be their best. I have loved him since I first met him, newly hired at Delta out of Bridgeport High School. This planet will be less grand without his flawless integrity, and style, and passion for learning. Along with the other great spirits I have been blessed to know in my life, I will miss him to the end of it. Always, Dana*

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**Dana Jo Denney** - September 08, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Professor Neville Britto.*



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September 08, 2016 at 08:04 AM

JC

“ *Jeanette Champion lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Jeanette Champion** - September 07, 2016 at 10:16 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Professor Neville Britto.



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September 07, 2016 at 08:59 PM



“ *Josephine Alexander lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Josephine Alexander** - September 07, 2016 at 05:51 PM



“ *Shaantipoorn Yaatra.*  
  
~ *J. Jordan(-Ford)*



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**Joselyn Jordan** - September 07, 2016 at 04:30 PM



“ *Professor Britto: Thank you! Well Done, Thy Good and Faithful Servant; Well Done.*

*P.S: It IS going to happen, Sir and there WILL be a noted dedication in your honor. Namaste.*

*Gone, but NEVER forgotten.  
Rest, Mentor. Rest.*

*~ J. Jordan(-Ford)*



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September 07, 2016 at 04:16 PM



“ *Marie Herzog lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Marie Herzog** - September 07, 2016 at 01:07 PM



“ *I had Mr. Britto at Delta College for an English class. Very nice man, very well read. I set in the front of the class and he chose me to answer questions more, which I did not mind. One day he stood in front of me, arms crossed and kept starrng at the class and going aha, aha,aha. He looks at me and says, "Frank you only one in here with no pop on desk,aha,aha." I do not remember what I responded with, but it was funny. A wonderful human being. God bless. Frank Gotts..*

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**Frank Gotts** - September 07, 2016 at 12:08 PM

BS

“ *My Condolences to the family.*

**Bridget Suhr** - September 07, 2016 at 12:01 PM

IC

“ *Iris (Booker) Childs lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



**Iris (Booker) Childs** - September 07, 2016 at 09:46 AM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Professor Neville Britto.*



September 07, 2016 at 09:01 AM

JU

“ I first met Mr.Britto when he was an english teacher when I was 16,and that was 41 years ago when in high school.To read all these beautiful condolences shows me he truly was a genuine and most kind person all his life.He always made an impact on all the lives he ever touched!When I would see him he never forgot who I was even though many years had passed.His kind and loving Spirit came from above out of the strong faith he held for the Lord.May you Dear family take comfort in knowing although we pass from this life Gods promises are true and our loved ones though gone from our sight will be seen again! Faith is believing in the unseen,for God is faithful who promised.(Hebrews 11:1,13,14).Even after 41 years I still remember a saying he said:"Age is a matter of the mind,if you don't mind it dosesn't matter".I've yet to meet a person who made such an impact on my life,he truly was a gift from above to many.....Our loss is heavens gain.....Rest in peace dear soul.

Julia Keinath

HEBREWS 13:1,2 "Let brotherly love continue.Be not forgetful to entertain strangers:for thereby some have entertained angels unawares".

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**Julia** - September 07, 2016 at 09:00 AM

KW

“ Kim Caver Wright lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Kim Caver Wright** - September 07, 2016 at 08:35 AM

PS

“ To the Britto and Herd Family,  
May the Lord give you strength and comfort  
during this difficult time. My heart sunk when I  
heard the news of Mr. Britto's passing. I had  
just spoke and gave him a hug at church on  
Sunday morning. He will be truly missed by the St. Joseph Church  
family.



*Patricia and Justin Snow*

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**Patricia Snow** - September 07, 2016 at 08:08 AM

MC

“ Tracy and Mike Cooper admired Neville for over 25 years:  
community organizations, board member, mentor, confidant, Delta  
colleague. Our hearts and condolences go out to his family.

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**Mike Cooper** - September 07, 2016 at 07:12 AM

SS

“ EXPERIENCING YET ANOTHER EMOTIONAL LOW IN MY LIFE. GOD HAS ALWAYS PLACED AN ANGEL IN MY MIST. HIRED INTO GREY IRON FOUNDRY RIGHT AFTER GRADUATION. FROM SAGINAW HIGH SCHOOL 1973 LAID OFF A TOTAL OF 14 TIMES. WHEN I SIGNED UP TO ATTEND DELTA COLLEGE'S OFF CAMPUS COURSE. ENGLISH MAJOR JOURNALISM MINOR I HAD TO BECAUSE I LANDED ON WELFARE. NOONE WOULD HIRE ME BECAUSE I HAD WORKED 13 YEARS WITH GENERAL MOTORS. MY ONLY CHOICE WAS TO EDUCATE MY SELF AND GOD DON'T CREATE NO MISTAKES. I WAS BORN BLESSED AS THE OLD FOLKS WOULD SAY. I WAS BORN WITH AN OLD SOUL INSIDE THIS SHELL OF A BODY GOD LOANED ME FROM BIRTH. PROFESSOR BRITTO KNEW INSTANLY I WAS A DIFFERENT TYPE OF WRITER. I'M A VERY INTENSE LISTENER MR. BRITTO WOULD GRAB MY EARS. A VERY PROFOUND AND WELL CULTURED SPEAKER YOU CANNOT ESCAPE THIS TYPE OF WISDOM. HIS TEACHING'S ABOUT THE ENGLISH LANUAGE WERE INTERGRATED INTO A RARE FORM. EACH STUDENT WROTE INTO A JOURNAL DAILY. BEFORE THIS SCHOOL TERM WAS OVER MR. BRITTO HAD A SEAT AT THE REAR OF THE CLASSROOM. WHEN HE ASKED ME TO HAVE A SEAT NEXT TO HIM. FIRST HE HANDED MY JOURNAL TO ME I OPENED THE COVER PAGE MY GRADE A. MR. BRITTO EXPLAINED TO ME SHELLEY YOU DONOT NEED ANY FORMAL TRAINING. GOD HAS ALREADY BLESSED YOU WITH THE SKILL OF A WELL TRAINED WRITER. I'D WOULD LIKE TO SHARE JUST ONE PIECE OF ADVICE WITH YOU. FROM THIS DAY FORWARD EACH LETTER YOU WRITE. PRESENT YOUR WORDS AS IF WHO EVER YOU ARE WRITING TO IS SITTING IN THE SAME ROOM AS YOU. SEVERAL YEARS LATER MR. AND MRS. BRITTO WERE INVITED TO AN 80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY. AT THE HOLIDAY INN ON OUTER DRIVE HE INTRODUCED THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE. MR. BRITTO LEFT ME WITH THESE WORDS. NO MATTER WHAT YOU DO PLEASE NEVER STOP WRITING. I TOLD HIM THANK YOU 'IF YOU HAVE NEVER MET THIS VERY HONORABLE EARTHBOUND ANGEL' SOMETIMES

*IN LIFE YOUR VOICE OF REASON ISN'T WITHIN YOUR FAMILY. OR FRIENDS OR CO-WORKERS YOU'VE COLLECTED AT THE CROSS ROADS OF YOUR LIFE. REST NOW 'ANGEL' IN MY MIST WITH THE OTHER HALF OF YOUR HEART.*

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**SHELLEY SANDERS-HILL** - September 07, 2016 at 06:42 AM

NA

“ *You were the best.....one of the greatest professors at Delta College...and you always kept a smile and laughter alive in the classroom.....rip....*



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**Nataska** - September 07, 2016 at 06:03 AM

CR

“ *Carolyn Roseberry lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Carolyn Roseberry** - September 06, 2016 at 10:27 PM

CR

“ *Neville Britto was a consummate gentleman who always had a kind word and a ready smile. I am thankful to call him friend as well as colleague. He leaves a tremendous legacy in the lives and successes of his many students. He and his beloved Leatha are reunited.*

*Carolyn Roseberry*

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**Carolyn Roseberry** - September 06, 2016 at 10:27 PM

GT

“*Kathie Townsend and I shared a lovely Memory Brunch at Riverside on Thursday. As we celebrated with smiles - and a few tears - our genuine caring for Neville, it became a healing experience. How strange that the three of us had planned, just a few days before, to meet for that very same lunchtime. And then....early that morning...Neville was gone....It was as though he said to us; "Sorry I can't meet with the two of you today....I'll be having Lunch with my Beloved Leatha."*

*Only four weeks after Leatha's passing, Neville went to join her. Of course, we miss him, but how wonderful for us to imagine Neville and Leatha sharing more time together. They're continuing the bond they created through many years. Neville's morning ritual of leaving Love-Notes for Leatha is a wonderful image to recall each time he comes to mind.*

*Honoring our friendship with Neville is bittersweet...actually, it's more sweet than bitter.*

*Two former Delta College staff members,  
Gale Thompson ~ ~ Kathie Townsend*

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**Gale Thompson** - September 06, 2016 at 10:00 PM

LM

“*Mr. Britto taught me a lot about people and using proper English at Delta College. He was an awesome teacher, and friend. I will miss him dearly, RIH Mr. Britto.*



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**LaShonda McGill** - September 06, 2016 at 09:57 PM

TM

“*I met Mr Britto when I took his accounting class back in the 90s. He was the coolest person. You will be missed. Mr Britto!!*

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**traci murray** - September 06, 2016 at 08:59 PM

BR

“ I didn't know Neville like many other professors at Delta, but who I knew was a very kind, thoughtful and caring individual. Good golfer too!! :) He always had a smile and kind word to share with you and to me, that was very special. Even though I was only a colleague, I can understand the below comments from many of his students and it brings a tear to my eyes because I know what his students are saying about Professor Neville!! He will be missed by many but his footprints he left will live on.... My condolences to his family and many friends....

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**Betty Rickey** - September 06, 2016 at 08:57 PM



“ Edith Lewis lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Edith Lewis** - September 06, 2016 at 06:48 PM

 Shay Me'chelle

“ Such a great man learned a lot and enjoyed the learning process Delta loss a legend RIH Mr Britto



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**Shay Me'chelle** - September 06, 2016 at 05:45 PM

AT

“ Taking Prof. Britto's English classes was one of the best choices of my life. He was so graceful, authentic, insightful and humorous in his teachings. He pushed me to be more expressive in my writing and was the type of professor who didn't want to take away his students' voice but let it shine. I will always carry that with me.

*Thank you Professor Britto.*

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**Ashley Terrell** - September 06, 2016 at 05:33 PM

SP

“ *Shelaine Parrish lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Shelaine Parrish** - September 06, 2016 at 03:26 PM

CW

“ *Cheryl And Steve Witzke lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Cheryl and Steve Witzke** - September 06, 2016 at 01:51 PM



“ *Edith Lewis lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Edith Lewis** - September 06, 2016 at 01:30 PM

AK

“ Ashley Kilgore lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**ashley kilgore** - September 06, 2016 at 01:26 PM

JE

“ Jerlean Erby lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Jerlean Erby** - September 06, 2016 at 12:58 PM

CB

“ Cedric Brooks lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



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**Cedric Brooks** - September 06, 2016 at 12:23 PM

MH

“ They say everyone crosses your path for a reason and that was Professor Britto. I was supposed to have a different teacher that semester at Delta but at the last minute it changed. He was a very humble man he adored his wife and family. His stories made you think about life and Delta lost a great professor.

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**Misti Hall** - September 06, 2016 at 12:12 PM

DG

“ *Debra Guster lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Debra Guster** - September 06, 2016 at 10:44 AM

JW

“ *Jimmie And Beverly Westbrook lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Jimmie and Beverly Westbrook** - September 06, 2016 at 10:20 AM

DJ

“ *David G. Lawrence Jr lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**David G. Lawrence Jr** - September 06, 2016 at 06:04 AM

JH

“ *Jennifer M. Hurt lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Jennifer M. Hurt** - September 05, 2016 at 09:27 PM

CD

“ *Charlean Donald-Nelums lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



Charlean Donald-Nelums - September 05, 2016 at 08:07 PM

TI

“ *Tina lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



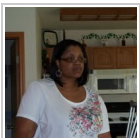
Tina - September 05, 2016 at 06:39 PM

DB

“ *Diane Bond lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



Diane Bond - September 05, 2016 at 12:19 PM



“ *I first meet Professor Britto in 1992. I learned a lot from such a great man & I am truly blessed to have crossed his path. He taught me things that left a lasting impression on me and thru out my life I'll continue to share with my childeren & grandchilderen. Thank you Britto Family for sharing him. RIH Mr. Britto*



Cynthia Mack - September 05, 2016 at 08:17 AM

TA

“ *Mr. Britto was a person that one doesn't forget. His mission was to impact his students in a positive way, and he did so, in many more areas than just the basic English syllabus required. He also made it his mission to teach social and cultural awareness, tolerance and pride. He taught life lessons I will never forget. Rest in paradise Mr. Britto.*

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**Terri Alberts** - September 04, 2016 at 02:36 PM

RB

“ *Rakia Banks lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Rakia Banks** - September 04, 2016 at 11:33 AM

RB

“ *I met Professor Britto 14 years ago while just starting out my college life and to this date he had a strong impact on my outlook. Such a brilliant, intelligent, and noble instructor. I remember some of his stories and I'm honored to have crossed paths with him. Such a beautiful family he has. Theresa, tommy and you are all kinds of special as well. My family will continue to keep you in out prayers and we love you all very much. Rakia Banks and family*

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**Rakia Banks** - September 04, 2016 at 11:23 AM

BT

“ *May the Lord Jesus Christ comfort you in your time of need. Delta College has lost one of the "Best". Mr. Britto will be missed greatly.*



Beatrice Tatum - September 04, 2016 at 09:47 AM

TO

“ *Twinkle Archer, Cincinnati, OH. lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



Twinkle Archer, Cincinnati, OH. - September 04, 2016 at 07:31 AM



“ *Lawrence Brooks lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



Lawrence Brooks - September 04, 2016 at 07:20 AM

EG

“ *Elaine V. Greer lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



Elaine V. Greer - September 04, 2016 at 07:17 AM

WS

“ *Willie James Burton Sr. sent a virtual gift in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Willie James Burton Sr.** - September 04, 2016 at 01:30 AM

WS

“ *Willie James Burton Sr. lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Willie James Burton Sr.** - September 04, 2016 at 01:20 AM

WS

*To the Britto and extended families. Mr. Britto will be sorely missed. He was a fine example in his professional life as well as his personal life. It was a honor, pleasure, and a life changing experience to have had hime as a professor at Delta College and as a friend. My prayers and condolences go out to you all during this time of bereavement. May God lift you above and beyond this difficult time.*

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**Willie James Burton Sr.** - September 04, 2016 at 01:26 AM

HJ

“ *Houston And Elaine Jackson, Jr. lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Houston and Elaine Jackson, Jr.** - September 03, 2016 at 09:08 PM

LH

“ Shared many delightful professional times with Neville. So hard to imagine he is gone. My condolences to the family. What a hard time given Leatha's passing as well. Linda Houston

Linda Houston - September 03, 2016 at 07:47 PM

SP

“ My Prayers, Condolences and Love to the Family.

Mrs. Share'Patrick  
Former Student



Sharon Patrick - September 03, 2016 at 04:19 PM

JW

“ Mr.Britto was my english teachers a few years ago. A great teacher. May God grant his family peace and strength.

Jessica willingham - September 03, 2016 at 01:56 PM

NW

“ Nakisha West lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



Nakisha West - September 03, 2016 at 03:01 AM

LS

“ *Leon Scott lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Leon Scott** - September 02, 2016 at 08:37 PM

JM

“ *Julia Rodriguez Mauws lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Julia Rodriguez Mauws** - September 02, 2016 at 06:57 PM

CR

“ *Carl Ruth lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Carl Ruth** - September 02, 2016 at 06:49 PM

CR

*My condolences to the Britto Family.*

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**Carl Ruth** - September 02, 2016 at 06:52 PM

TS

“ *Condolences to the family of Neville Britto.*



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**Teresa Stitt** - September 02, 2016 at 05:28 PM

RF

“ *My heart is so very heavy, Mr. Britto was one of the BEST elementary school teachers at Sacred Heart, he told us a lot about India and he also shared some delicious food. I always wanted my son to have him as an instructor at Delta, this Semester, that would have happened, but the class was full, Mr. Britto was one of a kind, to get our attention he would throw a piece of chalk and never stopped teaching, his discipline had a part of making me into the person I am today Thank You Mr. Britto.*



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**Rita Farrell-Williams** - September 02, 2016 at 03:22 PM

YG

“ *Yolanda Gill lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Yolanda Gill** - September 02, 2016 at 01:38 PM

SG

“ *Sylvia George lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Sylvia George** - September 02, 2016 at 01:07 PM

AW

“ *Anita Williams-Turner*

*My deepest sympathy goes out to the Herd family. Mr. Britto was a wonderful person and the BEST TEACHER I've ever had. He was also very funny. He was my teacher in elementary school and at Delta College. He taught myself and others that we could accomplish anything. He taught us about other parts of the world in his travelogue class at Sacred Heart. He was truly one of kind and one in a million. He will be truly missed. Mr and Mrs where both beautiful people.*

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**Anita Williams-Turner** - September 02, 2016 at 10:04 AM

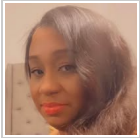
DA

“ *Mr Britto was such a wonderful man. I will never forget what a great teacher and influence he was. He made me aware that there was a big world out there to enjoy and explore. And to enjoy life and that there was nothing that I could not do. He made learning fun to a 6th grader at Scared Heart school. He was always a part of my life. I work at the Hoyt Library so I got to see him as I was growing up and becoming an adult. He and his wife always had kind words of wisdom and always made me laugh and smile. The love they shared was a beautiful thing to see. I will truly miss both of them. My prayers are with the family and may Mr Britto and his wife rest in peace.*

*Deborah Aranja*

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**Deborah Aranja** - September 02, 2016 at 08:39 AM



“ *Rachel Marie lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Rachel Marie** - September 02, 2016 at 08:24 AM

DC

“ *Delta College Ricker Center lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Delta College Ricker Center** - September 02, 2016 at 08:23 AM

JF

“ James, Ola, McMillan & Family sent a virtual gift in memory of Professor Neville Britto



James, Ola, McMillan & Family - September 02, 2016 at 06:28 AM

DZ

“ Diana Zamora lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



diana zamora - September 01, 2016 at 11:30 PM

MS

“ Mina Denise Sykes lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



Mina Denise Sykes - September 01, 2016 at 09:41 PM

AF

“ Alethea Foster lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto



Alethea Foster - September 01, 2016 at 06:59 PM

DS

“ *My grandfather was such a wonderful person. He was funny, loving, caring, and had a kind word for all who crossed his path. I am going to miss him so much. I'm going to miss our conversations, him planting his beautiful flowers, his snazzy suits, his wonderful food that he cooks, and I'm going miss cooking for him. This just feels so unreal. I can't believe he's gone. First my grandma now my grandpa. I am going to miss him so much.*

*To my family, I pray that we all stay strong and pull together to comfort each other. Grandma and grandpa are together again. God needed them both.*

*-Domonique Smith*

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**Domonique Smith** - September 01, 2016 at 06:45 PM

AL

“ *Alandya lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Alandya** - September 01, 2016 at 05:24 PM

NA

“ *Natalie lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Natalie** - September 01, 2016 at 05:16 PM

BS

“ *Brian Still lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Brian Still** - September 01, 2016 at 04:44 PM

PS

“ *I first remember Mr. Britto when he was the principal at Sacred Heart and I was in the fifth grade. He was always nice. Pamela M. Smith*

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**Pamela M. Smith** - September 01, 2016 at 01:47 PM

DH

“ *Sorry about the passing of Dr. Britto. He was an excellent English teacher. He cared about his student.*

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**Diane Holliman** - September 01, 2016 at 11:31 AM

DA

“ *DAWN lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**DAWN** - September 01, 2016 at 10:26 AM

LT

“ *Linda Troutmon lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Linda Troutmon** - September 01, 2016 at 10:24 AM

DP

“ *Debbie Pickvet lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Debbie Pickvet** - September 01, 2016 at 09:37 AM

MB

“ *Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds sent a virtual gift in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds** - September 01, 2016 at 08:16 AM

ML

“ *Mr. Victor L. Little lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Mr. Victor L. Little** - September 01, 2016 at 08:15 AM

MF

“ *To the Britto/Herd Families, Friends and Colleagues, My Heartfelt Sympathy and Condolences. Mr. Britto was one of the Best Teachers I've Ever Had! (Sacred Heart). May You Rest In Peace with Your Beautiful Wife. Love & Prayers To All, Brenda Bryant-Reynolds*



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**Ms. Brenda Bryant-Reynolds & Family** - September 01, 2016 at 08:13 AM

NW

“ *Mr. Neville Britto was without a doubt the finest Professor at Delta College. He was not only an excellent teacher he was a consummate professional and expected the best from each of his students. I will never forget him stopping me right before I walked across the stage to receive my college degree and shaking my hand. He told me how proud he was of me and encouraged me to stay in school and prosper. I took every class Mr. Britto taught (English 111, English 112 and English 211). Whether he was teaching at the Ricker Center or Delta's Main campus he gave the best of himself to his students. Mr. Britto was in my thoughts a few weeks ago when I learned his beloved wife Leatha had passed. Although I never met her Mr. Britto talked a lot about his wife, step-children and family in India. His favorite topics were diversity, India and Chakras. I will never forget having a potluck in the last class I took with him in 2009. It was the first time I saw him without a tie and letting his guard down and laughing with students. I believe he died of a broken heart. May his soul be at peace. Mr. Britto's spirit will live on in every life he touched and every life he changed; including mine. Thank you Mr. Britto. Rest in Heaven.*

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**Noah Williams** - September 01, 2016 at 04:54 AM

NW

“ *Noah Williams lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Noah Williams** - September 01, 2016 at 04:41 AM

LB

“ *Linda Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Linda Brown** - September 01, 2016 at 12:42 AM

JW

“ *Joanie Williams lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Joanie Williams** - September 01, 2016 at 12:19 AM



“ *My GOD my heartfelt prayer our with you all in times like these,,my heart is saddened right about now.Mr.Britto was one of their best Profession I had at delta college he was a very intelligent,outgoing,well out spoken man.He was a very funny man and very humour also,he was a man that talk about his families and truly love his families..He's a man that will truly be miss.*



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**Yvonne Sanders** - August 31, 2016 at 10:25 PM

SF

“ *Sherry Feltson lit a candle in memory of Professor Neville Britto*



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**Sherry Feltson** - August 31, 2016 at 10:19 PM

CC

“ *He was an excellent professor.He was one of my Professors. You have my deepest sympathy.*



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**Cheryl Cooper** - August 31, 2016 at 10:07 PM

CS

“ *Mr. Neville Britto,  
My condolences to the family of Neville Britto.  
He was one of the greatest professor that wanted to teach at Delta  
Ricker Campus. He taught several English coarse and he made you  
use your mind and didn't appreciate shortcuts.  
My heart is truly heavy due to his passing. We we're just mourning  
the passsing of his lovely wife now his family has to come together  
again to mourn him.  
May the good LORD give the BRITTO and HEARD family strength  
to make it through. He's now rejoined in HEAVEN with his lovely  
spouse. Rest on you deserve it.*

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**Charles, Courtney, and Jasmine Sledge** - August 31, 2016 at 09:18 PM

TW

“ *May the Lord be with you! You'll never be  
forgotten.*



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**Twinkle** - August 31, 2016 at 08:44 PM