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# A Tribute TO Shamaloo (Shamal) Deen

*Remembering his Birthday today September 26th 2025*

**(September 26, 1947 – December 17, 2024)**

Shamaloo "Shamal" Deen, the eighth of nine children born to Emamool and Rasulan Deen- creators of the Doubles industry in Trinidad—passed away at the age of 77. His life was a testament to the resilience, vision, and enduring legacy of a family that transformed humble beginnings into a national treasure.

Shamal's journey was marked by a deep determination to honor his parents' creation of Doubles- a simple street food that blossomed into the soul of Trinidad & Tobago's culinary culture. He devoted his life to promoting and elevating Deen's Doubles, transforming it into a symbol of pride and cultural identity.

Shamal believed that one's circumstances were not a ceiling but a foundation for growth. This perspective guided him as he navigated life in two nations, pioneering businesses in Trinidad and Canada, while spreading the joy of Trinidadian cuisine and culture.

In Winnipeg, Shamal established Deen's Diner and the iconic Deen's Calypso Gardens, spaces that brought a slice of Trinidad to Canada. From his innovation of serving Doubles with knife and fork to introducing Solo beverages to western Canada, Shamal elevated the perception of his family's creation while building cultural bridges. In the later years, Shamal returned to Trinidad, rejuvenating the Deen's Doubles Depot. He brought Deen's Doubles to Winnipeg and the World because of his relentless and selfless work to continue His Father's Legacy, a philosophical journey of self-discovery, and cultural enrichment.

Shamal is survived by his children, Shanu, Laura, Barbara and their mother, Claudette, his grandchildren, Dhani, Lane and Kyra, as well as his second wife, Nuroon, his siblings- Hamidan, Shamedan, Badru, Edool, loyal customers and the countless individuals touched by his vision and generosity. His passing marks the end of an extraordinary chapter in the story of Deen's Doubles, an 88-year legacy that began in Princes Town, Trinidad in 1936.

As we bid farewell, we celebrate a life that transformed a family recipe into a symbol of perseverance and pride.

You will be missed!



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