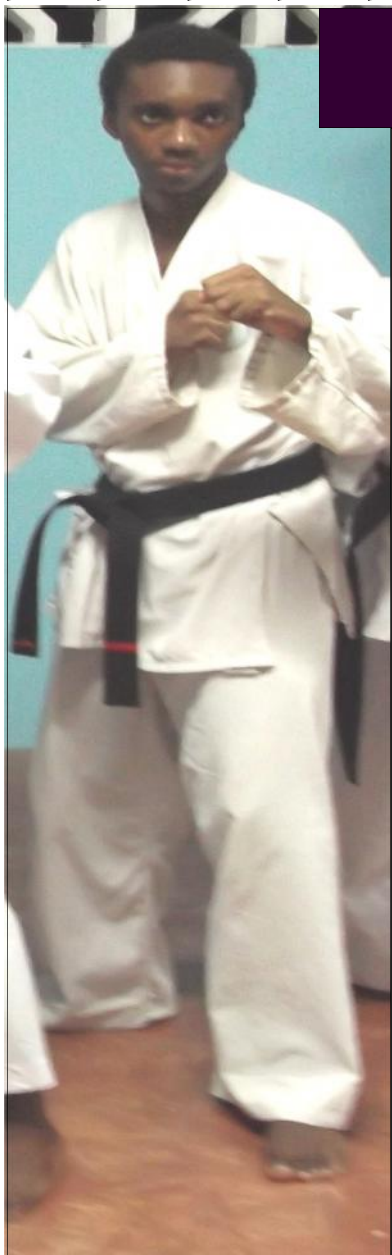




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## Tribute To Ronald Clery

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IT is indeed with a great deal of sadness and shock that the Board of Management and members of the Saint Lucia Gee-Ryu Karate-Do Association (SGKA) mourn the passing of one of its members, **Sensei Ronald Clery**, son of Grandmaster Paul Clery (Founder of the Association), and Mrs. Genitha Clery, of Pavee, Castries.

Ronald died at the Victoria Hospital on the evening of Monday, November 26, 2012, the exact day of his 20th birthday. He was admitted to hospital the previous Saturday (November 24, 2012).

Ronnie, as he was affectionately called, was a member of the Association from its establishment four years ago, on December 19, 2008. During those years, Ronnie took his training seriously by attending every session to the point where he became a Junior Instructor, and elevated to the rank of a Black Belt. He was an outstanding karateka destined to take his place in annals of the sport of Karate on Saint Lucia, but the good Lord had other plans for him.

To all those who knew Ronnie, he was a very quiet, unassuming and respectful young man. He recently left the Corinth Secondary School and took up employment, until he began to complain of pain to the back of his head a few days prior to being rushed to hospital.

Ronnie's gentleness, calmness and general deportment was the envy of many of the friends with whom he associated.

There is no doubt that Ronnie will be greatly missed by all.

Farewell, my friend, farewell!!!



**Grandmaster Paul Clery**

## With Deepest Sympathy

THE Board of Management and members of the Saint Lucia Gee-Ryu Karate-Do Association would like to extend the deepest condolences and sympathy to the family and friends of the late Ronald Clery who died on November 26, 2012.

Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you go through these difficult and trying times. No words can express the pain and sadness that you are faced with, and we wish that you find comfort in the Lord, who will take care of all your sorrows.



**Mrs. Genitha Clery**

### ***"We're With You"***

*When you miss Ronnie,  
We're with you in spirit,  
Wondering how you feel,  
Hoping you're coping,  
And getting a little better with every second.  
We understand. We care.  
When you're grieving,  
We're sending you sympathy,  
Encouragement, affection,  
And strength to carry on with life.  
Ronnie would want it that way.*



### ***"Remember"***

*Remember me when I am gone away,  
Gone far away into the silent land;  
When you can no more hold me by the hand,  
Nor I half turn to go, yet turning stay.  
Remember me when no more day by day  
You tell me of our future that you plann'd:  
Only remember me; you understand  
It will be late to counsel then or pray.  
Yet if you should forget me for a while  
And afterwards remember, do not grieve:  
For if the darkness and corruption leave  
A vestige of the thoughts that once I had,  
Better by far you should forget and smile  
Than that you should remember and be sad.  
(By Christina Rossetti)*



## *Pictorial Tribute To Ronnie*



**Ronnie at extreme left in foreground**



**Ronnie is second from right**



**Ronnie second from right**



**Ronnie, second from left, was a rising star**



## **After They Are Gone**

When someone we love passes away,  
We ache, but we go on;  
Our dear departed would want us to heal,  
After they are gone.  
Grief is a normal way to mend  
The anguish and pain in our hearts;  
We need time to remember and time to mourn,  
Before the recovery starts.  
Let's draw together to recuperate, As we go through this period of sorrow;  
Let's help each other, with tender care  
To find a brighter tomorrow.

**(By Joanna Fuchs)**