

# Jamaica National Heroes

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## 1. PAUL BOGLE - Birth date uncertain-died 1865

Paul Bogle, a Baptist Deacon was generally regarded as a peaceful man who shunned violence.

## 2. GEORGE WILLIAM GORDON - 1820-1865

George William Gordon was a free colored land owner and an associate of Bogle. As a member of the House of Parliament, he used his position to highlight the sufferings of the people and to make a plea for changes.

## 3. NANNY - Lived and died in Nanny Town

Nanny of the Maroons stands out in history as the only female among Jamaica's national heroes. She possessed that fierce fighting spirit generally associated with the courage of men.

## 4. SAMUEL SHARPE - 1801-1832

'Daddy' Sam Sharpe, as he was affectionately called was to carry on the Resistance against slavery effecting at the young age of 31, the most outstanding Slave Rebellion in Jamaica's history. Sharpe, an educated town slave, was a preacher and spokesman.

## 5. SIR ALEXANDER BUSTAMANTE - 1884-1977

Alexander Bustamante was an aggressive, outspoken young man who understood the dynamics of labor relations. A charismatic and impressive speaker, he used the media to criticize the prevailing political system and its attendant social problems.

## 6. NORMAN WASHINGTON MANLEY - 1893-1969

Norman Washington Manley founded the People's National Party which later was tied to the Trade Union Congress and the N.W. U. Together with Bustamante, their efforts resulted in the New Constitution of 1944 granting full Adult Suffrage. In 1955 Manley was elected Chief Minister.

## 7. MARCUS MOSIAH GARVEY - 1887-1940

Marcus Mosiah Garvey stands out in history as one who was greatly committed to the concept of the Emancipation of minds. Garvey who was born in St. Ann became famous worldwide as a leader who was courageous and eloquent in his call for improvement for Blacks.

*Out of many, one people*