

# *Lady Bustamante launches memoirs*

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TORONTO - LADY BUSTAMANTE, 86, widow of Jamaica's first Prime Minister, Sir Alexander Bustamante and one of Jamaica's National Heroes launched her memoirs in Toronto recently.

Individuals gathered at the Jamaican Consulate in the city seeking autographs of the tome entitled 'The Memoirs of Lady Bustamante'.

It chronicles the life and times of the former Gladys Langbridge from Parson Reid, in Westmoreland. She was in the forefront of the labour uprisings in 1938 when her husband formed the Bustamante Industrial Trade Union (BITU).

## **Political changes**

In the captivating book, she describes the political changes that were introduced in Jamaica on the way to Independence in 1962, as well as the attitude of the colonial government.

Travelling to Toronto with Lady Bustamante was Mike Henry, publisher of the book, Seragh Lakasingh and his wife Effie. Seragh is the honorary chairman of the Bustamante Institute of Public and Inter-



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*At one of her book signing sessions in Toronto, Lady Bustamante (second right), took time out to meet with Claire Davis (second left) and Kimberley Foote (right). At left is Effie Lakasingh who accompanied Lady Bustamante. ■*

national Affairs, and chairman of the Bustamante Foundation Lecture Committee.

While in Canada, Lady Bustamante also held autograph sessions for her book at several bookstores across Ontario. These included Itah Saudi's A Different Booklist on Bathurst Street; Chapter's Bookstore in Oakville and Bookers at Mississauga Square One Shopping Centre and Hamilton.