



Roosevelt Sands, Sr., played with the Key West Coconuts and was known as one of the exceptional catchers of his day. It is rumored that he was good enough to play major league baseball, but made a decision that would affect all of us. He chose family over baseball. His love for the game stayed with him throughout his long life.

A man of integrity and respect, Rosie worked hard to provide for his wife and his children, as well as his mother, Augusta Sands.

Because of the choices he made, many of us reaped the benefits. His gentle encouragement to us to follow our passion has carried us to our destiny.





Postscript

There is much to be learned from a family's story. Learning about the courage, the faith, the gifts, and the strength of our ancestors, who dared to leave their home and venture into a new environment in search of a better life, should be both empowering and comforting in ways that help to direct and guide us as we move forward in this world.

I hope that you have enjoyed reading this work in progress and learning a bit about those loved ones who walked this way before us, leaving a legacy of good works, a shining trail that is visible to those who seek it out, and a path strewn with blessed memories.