
Dedication



This report is dedicated to the memory of Diane Berry Caves, who lost her life during the January 12, 2010 earthquake in Haiti while on a 3-week assignment to improve Haitian HIV/AIDS programs.

A dedicated public health professional, Diane led the development of the first CDC report on public health preparedness, lauded by many as innovative, and played integral roles in the strategic development of the two succeeding reports. These reports demonstrate accountability and drive program improvement for public health preparedness and response.

In acknowledgement of her sacrifice, Diane was posthumously awarded the U.S. Department of State Thomas Jefferson Star for Foreign Service. This award recognizes people seriously injured or killed while traveling or serving abroad on official business. The award was signed by President Obama and bestowed by Secretary of State Clinton at a Memorial Ceremony in May 2010. CDC planted a Glory Maple tree in Diane's honor at its headquarters in Atlanta, GA.