POLITICAL PRISONER BIRTHDAYS IN AUGUST

Send a birthday card to these political prisoners. It's an easy way to help remind these freedom fighters they aren't forgotten. If you make one, remember: don't use anything like white-out, stickers, tape or glitter on it. We also recommend that you put your name and address and their name and prisoner number on the card, lest the authorities 'lose' the envelope and forget where it is going. If you would like to add a birthday or sign up for our poster mailing list, email us at ppbirthday@riseup.net. Brought to you with love by the Prison Books Collective. For a pdf of the poster or news and updates about anti-prison struggles, visit: prisonbooks.info

August 2nd, 1987
Eric G. King
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CCA Leavenworth
100 Highway Terrace
Leavenworth, KS 66048
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Eric G. King is an anarchist prisoner arrested and charged with an attempted firebombing of a government official's office in Kansas City, MO. Eric allegedly threw a hammer through a window of the building and then threw two lit bottles inside, though both failed to ignite. Eric was identified as a suspect by local police because he had previously come under suspicion for anti-police graffiti. Eric is allegedly involved with the the Kansas City Fight Back insurrectionist collective.

August 3rd, 1953 Bill Dunne #10916-086 USP Lompoc 3901 Klein Boulevard Lompoc, California 93436 denverabc.wordpress.com

Bill Dunne is an anti-authoritarian/anarchist prisoner sentenced to 90 years for the attempted liberation of an anarchist prisoner in 1979. He has published many writings since his incarceration

August 4th, 1956 Debbie Sims Africa #00-6307 451 Fullerton Ave Cambridge Springs, PA 16403-1238 onamove.com

August 14th, 1981 Barrett Brown #45047-177 FCI Three Rivers Post Office Box 4200 Three Rivers, Texas 78071 freebarrettbrown.org Debbie Sims Africa is one of the MOVE 9. There are currently seven MOVE activists in prison each serving 100 years after been framed for the murder of a cop in 1979. Merle Africa and Phil Africa died in prison in 1998 and 2015, respectively. MOVE is an eco-revolutionary group dedicated to liberation struggles.

August 8th, 1950 Dr. Mutulu Shakur 83205-012 USP Victorville Post Office Box 3900 Adelanto, CA 92301 mutulushakur.com Dr. Mutulu Shakur has been imprisoned since 1986 for activities in support of the Black Liberation Movement, and contributes to the struggle and legacy of his late stepson Tupac Shakur. Before imprisonment Dr. Shakur was an educator and healer, working to loosen the stranglehold of addiction in the Bronx, later his work in harm reduction included organizing a historic gang truce between the Bloods and the Crips at Lompoc Penitentiary, and working with Tupac to create a platform for harm reduction principles for gang activities, known as The Code of Thug Life.

August 17th, 1980 Christopher L. Young #136515, Seg. 5-R-10 KY State Reformatory 3001 W. Highway 146 La Grange, KY 40032 Barrett Brown is an author, and freelance journalist accused of trafficking information stolen by Anonymous hackers from private intelligence firm Stratfor. Stratfor spies on international protest movements and provides intelligence to the corporate mercenary group formerly known as Blackwater. Brown, not involved with the hack himself, allegedly republished a hyperlink to the files in a chatroom, an act for which the state has sentenced him to 5 years in prison. For continuing to write scathing articles, Barrett's contact with the outside world is restricted, he is placed under Central Inmate Monitoring and extended solitary confinement.

August 16th, 1950 Hanif Shabazz Bey #5161331 Seguro Correctional Center 1252 East Arica Road Eloy, AZ 85131 thejerichomovement.com From 1971 to 1973, there was a rebellion taking place to resist colonial rule in the U.S. occupied Virgin Islands. On September 6th, 1972, eight American tourists were gunned down at the Rockefeller-owned golf course on the island of St. Croix. Colonial authorities picked up over 100 blacks for interrogations, and U.S. colonial troops carried out a series of repressive acts of violence against the black community. 5 known supporters of the Virgin Island independence movement, including Hanif, were apprehended and charged with the attack. In 1973 the 5 were sentenced to 8 consecutive life sentences. Address envelope to Beaumont Gereau.

Christopher Young is a gay Moorish and Mississippi Native American imprisoned since 1997 for capital murder and armed robbery. Since his imprisonment, he has become a jailhouse lawyer and prison activist. Christopher deals with chronic pain from a knee injury suffered during prison organizing activities. In retaliation from prison guards, his knee remains untreated and undiagnosed and his sentence has increased for assault on correctional officers. Christopher will use any anarchist literature he receives to start an anarchist social movement book club at his prison.

August 23rd, 1949 Maliki Shakur Latine #81-A-4469 Shawangunk Correctional Facility Post Office Box 700 Wallkill, NY 12589 thejerichomovement.com Maliki Shakur Latine was in the Black Panther Party and spent 8 years in the underground working for black liberation. On October 1, 1981, he was sentenced to 25 to life in connection with a series of bank expropriations.

Russell Maroon Shoats founding
#AF-3855 member
SCI Graterford Liberation
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August 23rd, 1943

Russell Maroon Shoatz is a dedicated community activist, founding member of the Black Unity Council, former member of the Black Panther Party and soldier in the Black Liberation Army. He is serving multiple life sentences as a US-held prisoner of war.

August 25th, 1948 Rafil A. Dhafir 11921-052 FMC Devens Post Office Box 879 Ayer, MA 01432 dhafirtrial.net

Rafil A. Dhafir is an Iraqi-born American physician targeted after September 11th, 2001. He started the charity Help the Needy, to respond to the humanitarian crisis created by the Gulf War and US sanctions on Iraq. The charity was charged with violating the sanctions, and when Dhafir refused a plea bargain, the government falsely charged the charity with fraud, money laundering, tax evasion and a variety of other nonviolent crimes.

August 31st, 1950 Ronald Reed 5329 Osgood Avenue North Stillwater, MN 55082-1117 denverabc. wordpress.com Ronald Reed is a civil rights activist who organized for black history courses and against racist teachers at St. Paul Central High School and helped integrate college campuses in Minnesota in the 1960s. Reed's activities drew him towards revolutionary theory and political street theater in St. Paul with the Black United Front. In 1995, Reed was arrested and convicted of first-degree murder and conspiracy to commit first degree-murder for the 1970 shooting of a St. Paul police officer. He is serving life in prison.



They are in there for us, we are out here for them:

August 2nd, 1987: Eric G. King; August 3rd, 1953: Bill Dunne; August 4th, 1956: Debbie Sims Africa; August 8th, 1950: Dr. Mutulu Shakur; August 14th, 1981: Barrett Brown; August 16th, 1950: Hanif Shabazz Bey; August 17th, 1980: Christopher L. Young; August 23rd, 1949: Maliki Latine; August 23rd, 1943: Russell Maroon Shoats; August 25th, 1948: Rafil A. Dhafir; August 31st, 1950: Ronald Reed;

Political Prisoner Letter Writing Night

This August, join others in your community to send birthday cards to political prisoners to remind them that they are not forgotten.

Time:
Date:
Location:
Sponsoring
Organization:

ON RECEIVING NO MAIL
Being in Jail and Receiving
NO MAIL
is like
Being in Hell and getting
No water
But
Being in Prison and
Receiving
NO MAIL
Is
Being captured behind
Enemy lines with

Being captured behind
Enemy lines with
NO COMMUNICATION!
Such being the case
Many of us become