

In Memoriam

The South Carolina Silent Witness Story October 6, 2020

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Teach Us To Listen

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The Silent Witness Story

In 2019, 42 South Carolinians were killed by their intimate partners. As citizens of this state, we have a responsibility to take a stand against this injustice. Therefore, in 1998 our state joined with more than 40 other states in a mission "to promote peace, healing and responsibility in adult relationships."

During the 23rd annual Silent Witness ceremony, wooden silhouettes represent the women and men who have died due to domestic violence in South Carolina in 2019. This year, there are 43 silhouettes; 36 are for the known female homicide victims, 6 are for the known male victims, and one represents those victims of whom we are unaware.

The South Carolina Attorney General's Office, through the S.T.O.P. (Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors) Violence Against Women program, hosts this annual remembrance. Other contributing citizens and organizations are acknowledged at the end of this book.

This book is dedicated to the women and men of South Carolina who lost their lives due to domestic violence in 2019.*

^{*}The stories in this book were compiled using incident reports from local law enforcement and data from the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division. All defendants are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty in a court of law.

Teach Us To Listen

Teach us to listen

To the silence posed by unanswerable questions

To the silence imposed by the rupture of safety

And to that most frightening silence

When we can no longer find you

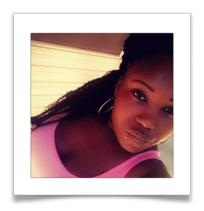
Anywhere.

Help us to remember
When the memory is too distant
And when the memory is too fresh
When the memory is too painful
And when the memory is too dull
When the memory is too horrible
And when the memory is too mundane
And when we cannot remember,
Remember for us.

Inspire us to act
With extraordinary courage in the midst of ordinary times
With ordinary goodness in the face of extraordinary crisis
And with unbounded imagination that dares to risk the
possibility of hope.

Teach us, help us, and inspire us
To listen, to remember, and to act
And never to quit.
Amen.

Bruce Coriell



Margaret Blanding

18 years old Anderson County



Lisa Robinson

45 years old Anderson County



Lorice Richards

38 years old Berkeley County



Ebony Claire

37 years old Charleston County



De'ja Dantley

23 years old Charleston County



Linda Gallman

70 years old Cherokee County



Mildred Motes

34 years old Cherokee County



Andrel McCrorey

21 years old Chester County



Latwanyept Stover

37 years old Chester County



Danny Thomas

39 years old Chester County



Jessica Purvis McFaddin

40 years old Colleton County



Ida Mays

48 years old Colleton County



Jorday Nelson

29 years old Colleton County



Sarah Nelson

83 years old Dorchester County



Lynda Kay Shuler

54 years old Dorchester County



Karen Simmons Yarborough

63 years old Dorchester County



Bridget Tingen

46 years old Florence County



Aqua Barkşdale

29 years old Greenville County



David Edens

22 years old Greenville County



Erin Henry

25 years old Greenville County



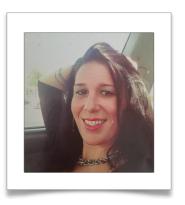
Josephine Barton

66 years old Kershaw County



Kimberly Alger

36 years old Lancaster County



Victoria Sims

36 years old Lancaster County



Roselynn Cedeno

45 years old Lexington County



Jennifer Lynn First

37 years old Lexington County



Joanie Leigh Youmans

42 years old Lexington County



Wanda Reaves

38 years old Marion County



Leroy Williams

60 years old Marlboro County



Crystal Hood

41 years old Newberry County



Robert McWaters

46 years old Orangeburg County



Tracey Gillespie Nix

59 years old Pickens County



Ariana Johnson

31 years old Richland County



Brittany Johnson

25 years old Richland County



Nivia Johnson

38 years old Richland County



Christina Martin

45 years old Richland County



Raekisha Masslieno

33 years old Richland County



Jamaine McFadden

47 years old Richland County



Cynthia Ohans

26 years old Richland County



Tiana Perry

23 years old Richland County



Angela Faulkner

47 years old Spartanburg County



Quanisha Fernanders

23 years old Spartanburg County



Sharee Bradley

29 years old Sumter County

Unknown

Domestic violence affects us all.

Domestic violence does not discriminate by gender, race or ethnicity. People in every socioeconomic status experience this type of violence. Domestic violence victims are all around us: in our neighborhoods, workplaces and our places of worship.

Therefore, let us have a moment of silence to remember those victims of whom we are unaware.

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and all who graciously gave their time.

Silent Witness Information

The South Carolina Office of the Attorney General works diligently throughout the year to collect information about domestic violence homicides. This is the 23rd year the office has held the Silent Witness Memorial during October to recognize the victims of this horrific crime.

The information for the Silent Witness Memorial is compiled with the assistance and cooperation of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) and the offices of South Carolina solicitors, sheriffs, coroners, and police departments.

Every effort is made to contact the victims' families. The victims' loved ones provided the photographs found in this book.