

BLACK LIVES MATTER

# ABC's BOOK







Over these past couple weeks, civil unrest has sparked across 50 states over the murder of George Floyd and the continued police violence on protestors. This case of police brutality is not new, and not a case of "one bad apple." It is the result of an Anglo-America, born out of an oppressive system rooted in imperialism and reckless disregard for humanity.

Black lives matter isn't just a trend on social media. It is a movement, a hashtag, a call-to-action against racism and state-sanctioned violence toward Black people. It is a dedication to creating a world where Black people have the political, social, and economic power to succeed.

And the first step to creating that world is acknowledging that **Black lives matter.**

Lesbian-Black lives. Gay-Black lives. Trans-Black lives. Cis-Black Lives. All Black lives matter.

**As non-Black people, it is important to educate ourselves, recognize our privilege, and use our voices to speak out against injustices in our everyday lives. It's easy for us to feel anger in the moment, and let it go a few hours later. But for Black people, these injustices seem endless.**

To those people who believe that all lives matter, they do. But it's important to know why spreading that message can come from a hateful or misinformed place.

The impetus of All Lives Matter wasn't a unifying proclamation for everyone to be on equal footing. It was a criticism of Black empowerment used to wash away the real concerns and cries of Black voices, who are systematically subjugated to a footing never equal to their white counterpart, or even other minority groups.

All lives can't matter until Black lives matter.

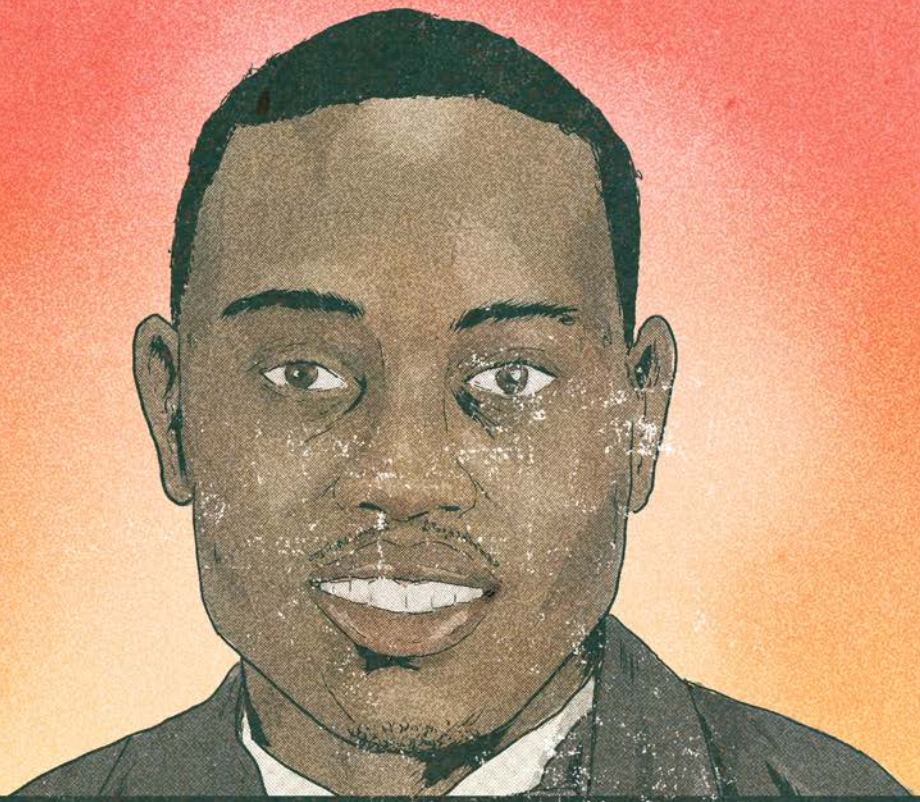
George Floyd is another addition to the long list of names - Breonna Taylor, Eric Garner, Trayvon Martin, Ahmaud Arbery, Freddie Gray, Sandra Bland, Philando Castile, Michael Brown, Tamir Rice, among many others - that will not go gentle into that good night; the people will not let that happen. We won't let that happen either.

We, at Cabrón James, will not let these Black voices go unheard.  
In this zine, you'll read the names of beautiful  
Black lives lost, but not forgotten.

**If there's a way to relearn your ABC's, say it with their names.**

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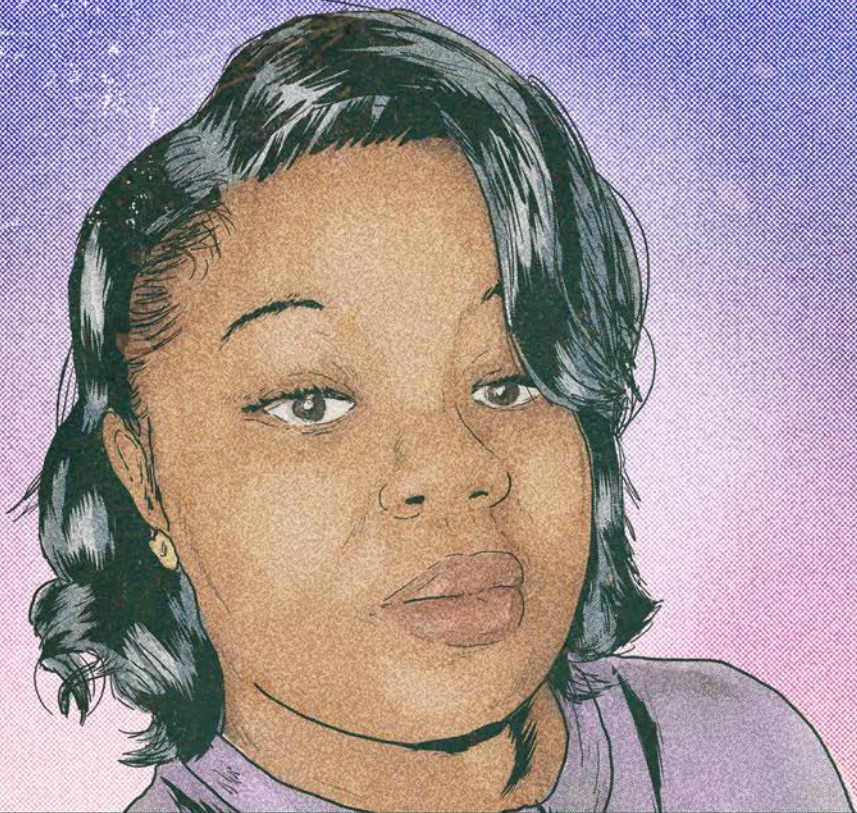
# **A** IS FOR **AHMAUD ARBERY**

ARBERY WAS VERY POPULAR AMONG HIS PEERS. ACCORDING TO HIS LONG TIME FRIEND, AKEEM BAKER, "EVERYONE WANTED TO BE AHMAUD'S FRIEND BECAUSE HE WAS SO LIKABLE." BAKER SAID HE ALWAYS ADMIRER ARBERY, ALSO KNOWN AS "MAUD," FOR HIS CONFIDENCE, SENSE OF HUMOR AND SELFLESSNESS. THE 25-YEAR-OLD ARBERY WANTED TO BE AN ELECTRICIAN, FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS OF THREE OF HIS UNCLES.

## **A IS ALSO FOR...**

**AKAI GURLEY, ANTHONY HILL, ALEXIA CHRISTIAN, AARON FOSTER, ALBERT DAVIS, ASSHAMS MANLEY, ARTHUR WALTON JR., ALEX MARION, ANTHONY ASHFORD, ALONZO SMITH, ANTRONIE SCOTT, ANDRE HORTON, ALTON STERLING, ATATIANA JEFFERSON, AARON FOSTER, ANTWON ROSE, ANTONE BLACK JR., ANTHONY GREEN, ARTHUR MCAFEE, ARIES CLARK, ANTONIO GARCIA, AARON BAILEY, ADAM TRAMMELL, ALTERIA WOODS, ASKARI ROBERTS, ARTEAIR PORTER, ARTHUR WILLIAMS JR., ALFERED OLONGO, ARTAGO HOWARD, ANDRE MURPHY, AKAI GURLEY, ADAM MADISON, ARVEL WILLIAMS, ANTHONY BARTLEY, ANESSON JOSEPH, ALLEN DESDUNES, ANTONIO JOHNSON, ANTHONY DWAYNE HARRIS, ARMANDO FRANK**





# **B IS FOR BREONNA TAYLOR**

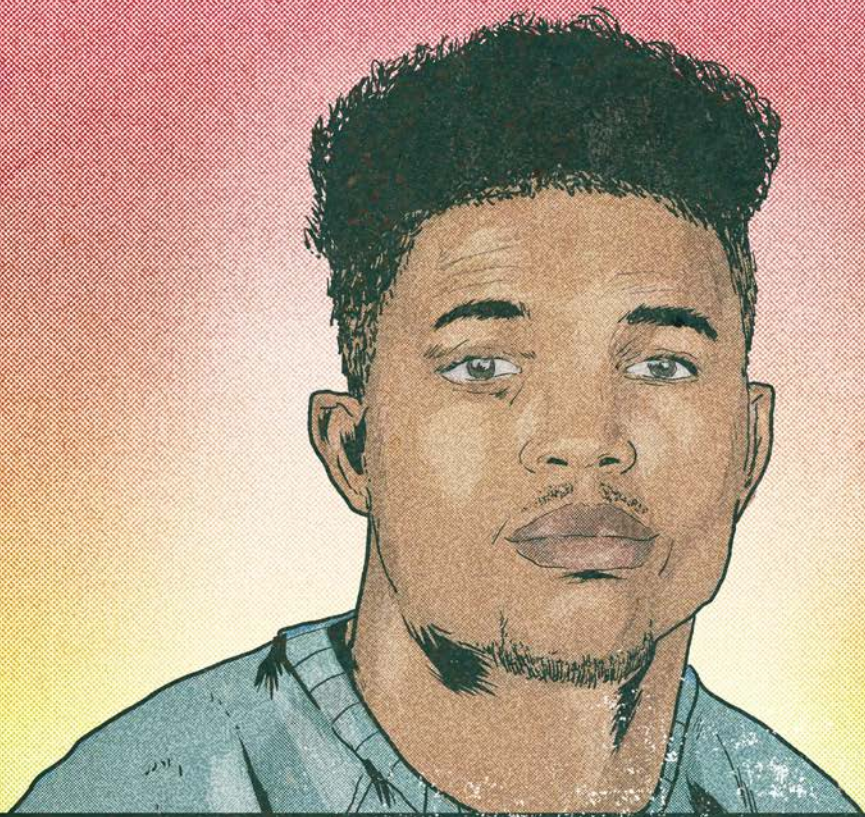
**BREONNA TAYLOR STUDIED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY. SHE WAS AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN AND WORKED AT TWO HOSPITALS, UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE JEWISH HOSPITAL AND NORTON HEALTHCARE. SHE WAS A FIRST RESPONDER WHO WORKED GRUELLING HOURS AND SHIFTS**

**DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. FRIENDS AND FAMILY HAVE SAID THAT SHE WANTED TO BUILD A CAREER IN HEALTH CARE BECAUSE SHE CARED ABOUT PEOPLE. HER MOTHER DESCRIBED HER AS SOMEONE WHO ADORED HER FAMILY AND HAD BIG DREAMS TO SUCCEED IN LIFE.**

## **B IS ALSO FOR...**

**BRENDON GLENN, BILLY RAY DAVIS, BRIAN KEITH DAY, BRIAN EASLEY, BENNI LEE TIGNOR, BETTIE JONES, BOTHAM SHEM JEAN, BENNIE BRANCH, BRYON WILLIAMS, BISHAR HASSAN, BOBBY GROSS, BRANDON JONES, BRIAN PICKETT, BALANTINE MBEGBU, BRIATAY MCDUFFIE, BRANDON DEVON SMITH, BILL JACKSON**





# **C** IS FOR **CHRISTIAN TAYLOR**

TAYLOR WAS A 6-FOOT, 180-POUND DEFENSIVE BACK FOR THE ANGELO STATE RAMS. DURING HIS SOPHOMORE YEAR AT ANGLO STATE UNIVERSITY, HE HAD A RELIGIOUS AWAKENING. HIS GOOD FRIEND, JORDAN SMITH, SAID THAT, "GOD CAME TO HIM AND HE CRIED AND CRIED. IT REALLY CHANGED HIS LIFE." JORDAN ADDED THAT, "GOD CAME TO HIM NOT ONLY TO GET HIMSELF RIGHT, BUT TO GET US ALL ON BOARD. CHRISTIAN WANTED TO SAVE EVERYBODY."

## **C IS ALSO FOR...**

**CALIN ROQUEMORE, CHRISTOPHER DAVIS, CHRISTOPHER WHITFIELD, CHARLES ROUNDTREE JR, CHINEDU OKOBI, CHRIS OKAMOTO CYNTHIA FIELDS, COREY MOBLEY, CHARLES ROBINSON, CALVIN TONEY, CHRIS MCCORVEY, CHANNARA PHEAP, CHARLIN CHARLES, CHRIS TAYLOR, CORNELIUS BROWN, CHARLY KEUNANG, CALVON REID, CAM TILLMAN, CORTEZ WASHINGTON, COREY TANNER, CEDRIC STANLEY, CHRIS JONES, CHARLES GOODRIDGE, CIMARRON LAMB, CLIFTON ARMSTRONG, CRAIG DEMPS, CLINTON ALLEN, CHARLES BAKER, CEDRICK CHATMAN**





# **D** IS FOR **DOMINIQUE CLAYTON**

DOMINIQUE CLAYTON WAS A 32-YEAR-OLD MOTHER OF FOUR. DOMINIQUE'S SISTER, SHYJUAN, DESCRIBED HER AS BEING THE "LIFE OF THE PARTY." "SHE MADE US LAUGH. MY SISTER WAS CRAZY AND SILLY. IT WON'T BE THE SAME WITHOUT HER."

## **D IS ALSO FOR...**

**D'E'TTRICK GRIFFIN, DARELL RICHARDS, DANNY RAY THOMAS, DAVID SCOTT DENNIS PLOWDEN, DEWBOY LISTER, DEVIN HOWELL, DEJUAN GUILLORY DERICCO HOLDON, DEANDRE PHILIPPS, DARRIAN BARNHILL, DON IVY DONNELL THOMPSON JR, DALVIN HOLLINS, DELRAWN SMALL, DAVID FELIX DERAVIS ROGERS, DOMINIQUE SILVA, DYZHAWN PERKINS, DAVID JOSEPH DOMINIC HUTCHINSON, DARRIUS STEWART, D'ANGELO STALLWORTH, DAJUAN GRAHAM, DARRELL BROWN, DENZEL BROWN, DEONTRE DORSEY DENNIS GRISBY, DARRIAN HUNT, DANTE PARKER, DOMINIQUE FRANKLIN, DEANDRE STARKS, DAINELL SIMMONS, DEOMAINE HAYMAN, DARYLL BLAIR DARRELL BANKS, DONOVAN THOMAS, DASON PETERS, DEION FLUDD, DYLAN SAMUEL-PETERS**





# **E IS FOR ERIC GARNER**

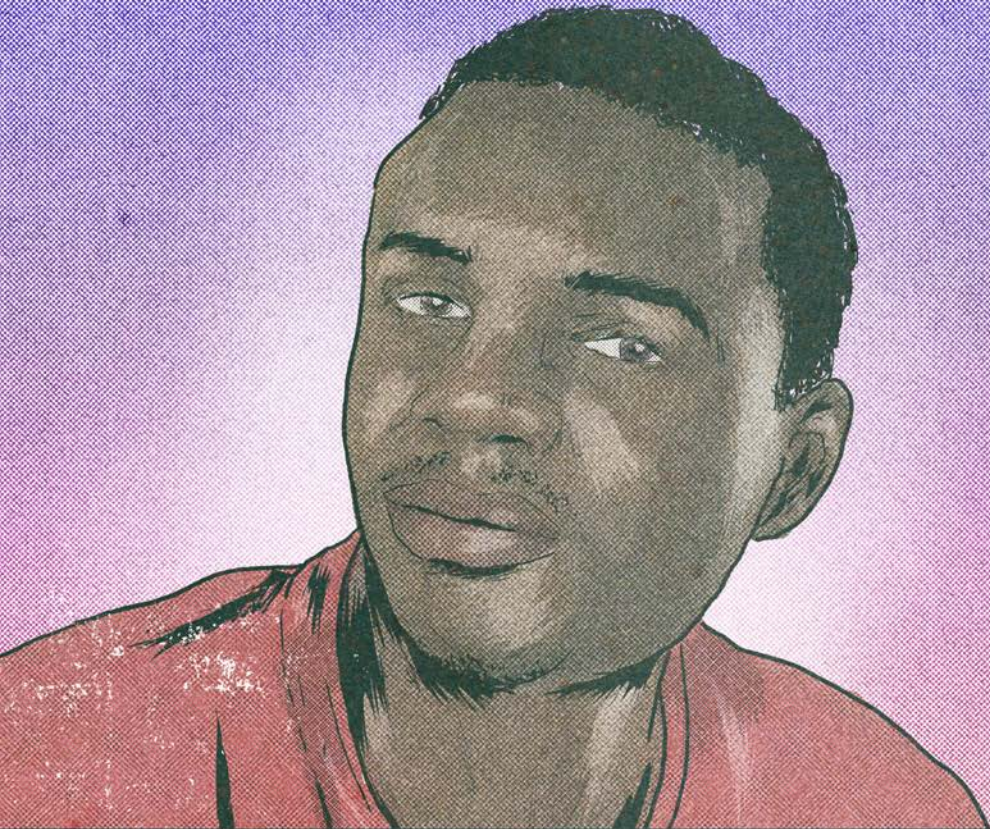
**ERIC GARNER WAS KNOWN AS A "GENTLE GIANT." HE STOOD 6 FEET, 3 INCHES TALL AND WEIGHED 350 POUNDS. HE WORKED AS A MECHANIC AND THEN IN THE CITY'S HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT FOR SEVERAL YEARS BEFORE HEALTH PROBLEMS, INCLUDING**

**ASTHMA, SLEEP APNEA, AND COMPLICATIONS FROM DIABETES, FORCED HIM TO QUIT. HE HAD SIX CHILDREN, RANGING IN AGE FROM EIGHTEEN YEARS TO THREE MONTHS, AND WAS WITH HIS WIFE, ESAW, FOR OVER TWENTY YEARS.**

## **E IS ALSO FOR...**

**EZELL FORD, ERIC HARRIS, ERIC REASON, EUREE LEE MARTIN, ERIC RICKS, EUGENE WILLIAMS, EMMANUEL JEAN-BAPTISTE, ERNEST SATTERWHITE, ERVIN EDWARDS, ELIJAH GLAY**



**F**

## IS FOR FREDDIE GRAY

THE 25-YEAR OLD FREDDIE WAS KNOWN TO BE FRIENDLY AROUND HIS GILMORE HOMES NEIGHBORHOOD. HE LOVED FOOTBALL AND HAD ALWAYS WANTED TO PLAY TIGHT END BUT WAS TOO SMALL. HIS FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR, RAHEEM GAITHER, SAID THAT FREDDIE, "COULD HAVE BEEN A COMEDIAN." "HE WAS SO FUNNY. ANY TIME YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A LAUGH, YOU'RE GOING STRAIGHT TO FREDDIE." GRAY ALSO HAD A GIRLFRIEND WHOSE CHILD HE HELPED CARE FOR. FREDDIE'S FRIEND, GRANT, RECALLS THAT, "FREDDIE SAT IN AND WATCHED THE KID. HE TOOK THIS LITTLE CHILD TO SCHOOL EVERY MORNING THAT HIS GIRLFRIEND HAD TO WORK, AS IF THE CHILD WAS HIS OWN."

### F IS ALSO FOR...

FREDDIE BLUE, FELIX KUMI, FLOYD GENE HODGE, FRED BRADFORD JR





# **G** IS FOR **GEORGE FLOYD**

HE PLAYED BASKETBALL AND WAS A STAR TIGHT END ON THE JACK YATES HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM. FLOYD PLAYED IN THE 1992 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME AT THE ASTRODOME. HIS FORMER COACH, COACH CHUCK, RECALLS THAT GEORGE, "WAS ABOUT

FAIRNESS AND GOODNESS FOR EVERYBODY, EVEN AT THE EXPENSE OF HIS OWN HURT, HE STILL STOOD FOR THAT."

FLOYD WORKED SEVERAL JOBS IN THE TWIN CITIES, MOST RECENTLY AS A SECURITY GUARD AT CONGA LATIN BISTRO IN MINNEAPOLIS. HIS FORMER BOSS, JOVANNI THUNSTROM, REMEMBERS GEORGE AS BEING THE "TYPE OF PERSON THAT IF YOU NEED HELP, YOU CAN COUNT ON HIM."

FLOYD ALSO FOUND LOVE WHILE LIVING IN MINNEAPOLIS. HE MET GIRLFRIEND, COURTNEY ROSS, ABOUT THREE YEARS AGO. SHE SAID IT WAS "LOVE AT FIRST SIGHT" AND DESCRIBED HIM AS FUNNY, TALKATIVE AND KIND. COURTNEY REMEMBERS GEORGE FOR BELIEVING "EVERYONE IN THIS WORLD SHOULD GET A CHANCE. THERE'S NO THROWAWAY PEOPLE. THERE'S NOBODY THAT DOESN'T DESERVE LOVE."

## **G IS ALSO FOR...**

**GEORGE ROBINSON, GERALDINE TOWNSEND, GEORGE MANN, GEORGE KING, GREGORY LEWIS TOWNS JR., GEORGE HARVEY**





# H

## IS FOR HERBERT GILBERT

HERBERT GILBERT WAS A BELOVED FIGURE IN HIS THOMASVILLE COMMUNITY IN GEORGIA. LUCRETIA DAVIS, A LONG TIME FRIEND AND NEIGHBOR OF THE 37-YEAR-OLD DAVIS, SAYS SHE WAS "REALLY GRATEFUL TO HAVE KNOWN HIM."

**H IS ALSO FOR...**

**HOWARD WALLACE BOWE JR., HALLIS KINSEY**





# I IS FOR ISAIAH LEWIS

THE 17-YEAR-OLD LEWIS WAS DAYS AWAY FROM GRADUATING FROM BOULEVARD ACADEMY, AN ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL THAT "FOCUSES ON ACADEMIC CREDIT RECOVERY IN A SMALLER LEARNING ENVIRONMENT." HIS MOTHER, VICKI

LEWIS, REMEMBERS THAT ISAIAH AS THE KID WHO, "LOVED TO EAT." "HE ABSOLUTELY LOVED CHEESEBURGERS FROM MCDONALDS WITH BIG MAC SAUCE." ISAIAH WAS ADORED BY HIS BROTHERS AND HIS FRIENDS.

**I IS ALSO FOR...**

**IRETHA LILLY, INDIA KAGER, INDIA M. BEATY**





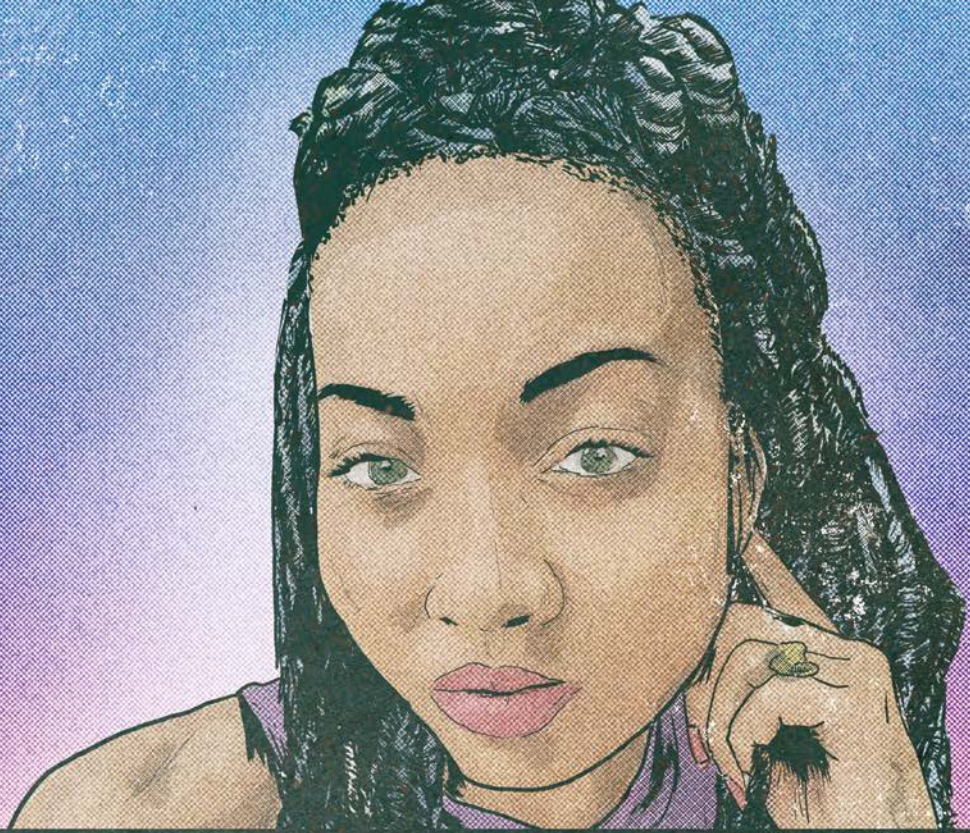
# **J** IS FOR **JERMAINE** **MCBEAN**

**JERMAINE MCBEAN WAS 33 AND HAD TWO DEGREES FROM PACE UNIVERSITY IN NEW YORK. HE WORKED IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AT A FORT LAUDERDALE AD AGENCY AS A COMPUTER ENGINEER.**

## **J IS ALSO FOR...**

**JORDAN MICHAEL GRIFFIN, JULIUS GRAVES, JESSE QUINTON, JAMES CARNEY, JAMES LEATHERWOOD, JIMMY ATCHISON, JOSHUA HARVEY, JUAN JONES, JEAN PIERRE, JOSHUA CRAWFORD, JIMMIE SANDERS, JORDAN EDWARDS, JEROME ALLEN, JR WILLIAMS, JAMAL ROBBINS, JESSICA WILLIAMS, JOHN ASUZU, JAMAR CLARK, JUNIOR PROSPER, JOHN SANDERS, JASON MOLAND, JUAN MAY, JEREMY LETT, JOHN WILSON, JEREMY LAKE, JOHN CRAWFORD, JERRY BROWN, JEROME REID, JEFFERY LILLY JR., JOHN FERRELL, JACK ROBERSON, JORDON BAKER, JEFFREY RAGLAND, JUSTIN GRIFFIN, JACOREY CALHOUN, JULIAN DAWKINS, JERMAINE DARDEN, JAYVIS BENJAMIN**





# **K** IS FOR **KORRYN GAINES**

**KORRYN SHANDAWN GAINES WAS A 23-YEAR-OLD WOMAN FROM RANDALLSTOWN, MARYLAND. SHE WORKED FULL TIME AS A HAIRSTYLIST. SHE ALSO HAS A SON NAMED KODI.**

## **K IS ALSO FOR...**

**KEVIN LEROY BEASLEY JR., KEVIN BRUCE MASON, KEITA O'NEAL, KEN JOHNSON, KEVIN HIGGENBOTHAM, KRIS JACKSONS, KEVIN BAJOE, KEITH MCLEOD, KEVIN MATTHEWS, KEITH CHILDRESS, KIONTE SPENCER, KEVIN HICKS, KENDRICK BROWN, KEARA CROWDER, KALDRICK DONALD, KENDALL ALEXANDER, KEOSHIA L. HILL, KENDRA DIGGS**





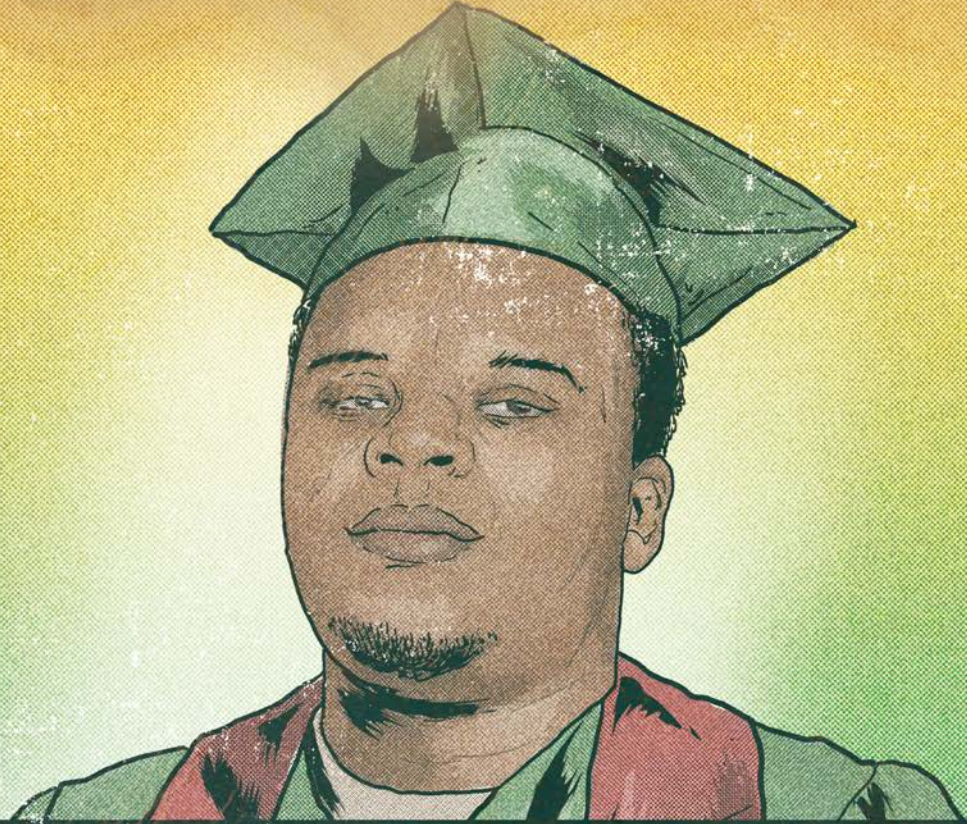
# **L** IS FOR **LAQUAN** **MCDONALD**

MANY IN LAQUAN MCDONALD'S LIFE RECALL A JOKESTER WHO COULD MAKE THEM LAUGH UNTIL THEY CRIED, A KID WHO LIKED TO GIVE EVERYONE A HUG. THEY NICKNAMED HIM "BUN BUN" BACK WHEN HE WAS A CHUBBY LITTLE BOY. BY HIS TEENAGE YEARS, HE HAD GROWN SLIM AND TALL, AT 6-FOOT-2, AND LIKED TO RAP. HE HAD TATTOOS ON EACH OF HIS HANDS, ONE READING "GOOD SON" AND THE OTHER A PAIR OF DICE AND THE ACRONYM "YOLO" - "YOU ONLY LIVE ONCE." HE AT TIMES IMPRESSED HIS CLINICIANS AND COUNSELORS WITH HIS HONESTY, CHARISMA AND LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY, ESPECIALLY A YOUNGER SISTER HE WANTED TO PROTECT. HIS UNCLE, THE REV. MARVIN HUNTER SAID THAT LAQUAN "HAD A STRONG LOVE FOR HIS FAMILY AND HIS FAMILY LOVED HIM."

## **L IS ALSO FOR...**

**LAWRENECE HAWKINS, LORENZO ANTOINE CRUZ, LAMONT PERRY, LEVONIA RIGGINS, LIONEL GIBSON, LEROY BROWNING, LAMONTEZ JONES, LAVANTE BIGGS, LAVALL HALL, LESLIE SAPP, LASHAMO GILBERT, LEVON LOVE, LAVON KING, LARRY JACKSON, LANA MORRIS**





# **M** IS FOR **MICHAEL** **BROWN**

**MICHAEL WAS A 6-FOOT-4, 292 POUND 18 YEAR OLD. HE WAS AN AMATEUR MUSICIAN WHO POSTED HIS SONGS ON SOUNDCLOUD UNDER THE HANDLE "BIG MIKE". ALTHOUGH HE STRUGGLED EARLY WITH HIS EDUCATION, ATTENDING SEVERAL DIFFERENT HIGH SCHOOLS, BROWN RECOVERED, GRADUATED WITH HIS CLASS IN 2014 FROM NORMANDY HIGH SCHOOL IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY, COMPLETING AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM. HE WAS TWO DAYS AWAY FROM STARTING A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR HEATING AND AIR CONDITIONING REPAIR AT VATTEROTT COLLEGE TECHNICAL SCHOOL.**

## **M IS ALSO FOR...**

**MICHELLE CUSSEAU, MATTHEW AJIBADE, MYA HALL, MICHAEL SABBIE, MICHAEL LEE MARSHALL, MICHAEL NOEL, MIGUEL ESPINAL, MARCO LOUD, MARY TRUXILLO, MICHAEL DEAN, MAURICE HOLLY, MARCUS MCVAE, MARIO CLARK, MAHLON SUMMERROUR, MARCUS PETERS, MARC DAVIS, MARK ADKINS, MARQUEZ WARREN, MUHAMMAD MUHAYMIN, MARLON LEWIS, MANSUR BALL-BEY, MICHAEL WILSON JR, MICHAEL MINOR, MARK BLOCKER, MONTEZ HAMBRIC, MARLON HORTON, MONTELL MOSS, MICAH KEY**





# M

## IS FOR NATASHA MCKENNA

NATASHA MCKENNA WAS BORN ON JANUARY 9, 1978, TO MARLENE WILLIAMS. SHE GRADUATED FROM W.T. WOODSON HIGH SCHOOL IN

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA, WHERE SHE WAS ON THE BASKETBALL TEAM. MCKENNA HAD BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH BIPOLAR DISORDER AS WELL AS SCHIZOPHRENIA AT THE AGE OF TWELVE. HER CASE HELPED TO ADDRESS ISSUES OF INDIVIDUAL TREATMENT WHILE IN POLICE CUSTODY AND THE TACTICS USED TO ADDRESS CITIZENS WHO SUFFERED FROM MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

**N IS ALSO FOR...**

**NICOLAS WALKER, NANA ADOMAKO, NAESCHYLUS VINZANT,  
NORMAN COOPER, NATHANIEL PICKETT**





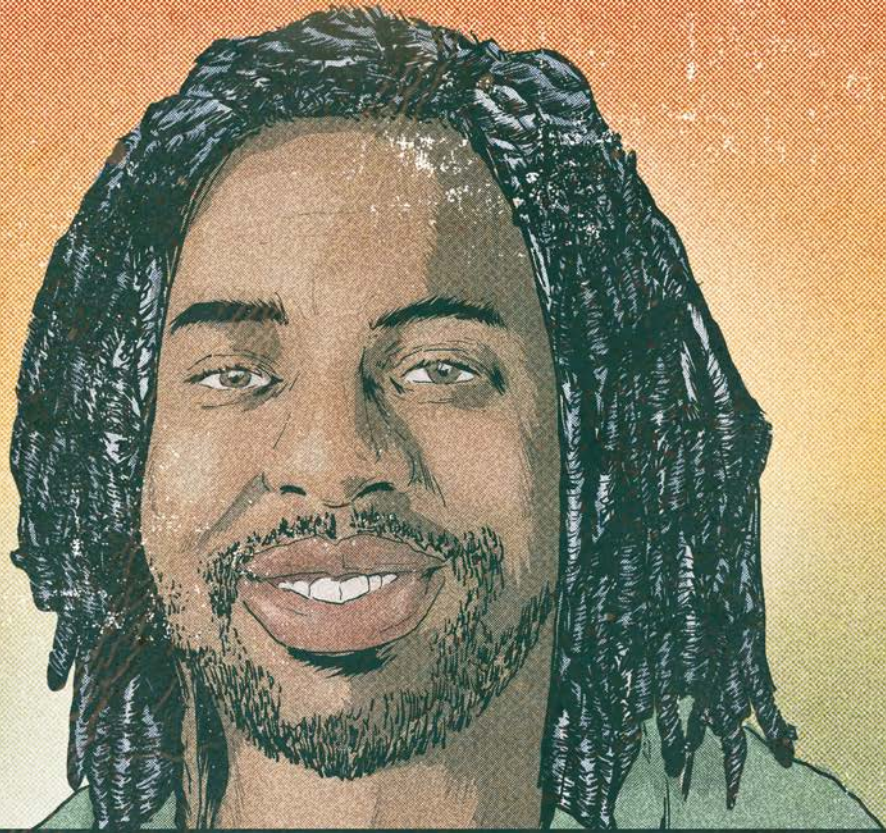
**O**

## IS FOR OLLIE LEE BROOKS

OLLIE WAS AN ONLY CHILD AND GREW UP IN NORTH TULSA AND HE ATTENDED BOOKER T. WASHINGTON HIGH SCHOOL. HE WORKED AS A DEDICATED LANDSCAPER AND TREE TRIMMING EXPERT FOR OVER 35 YEARS. OLLIE HAD SIX CHILDREN, 16 GRANDKIDS, AND 7 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. HIS SON, OLLIE BROOKS JR. SAID HE REMEMBERS HIS DAD WAS AN EXTREMELY HARD WORKER.

**O IS ALSO FOR...**  
**OLIVER JARRED GREGOIRE**





**P**

## **IS FOR PHILANDO CASTILE**

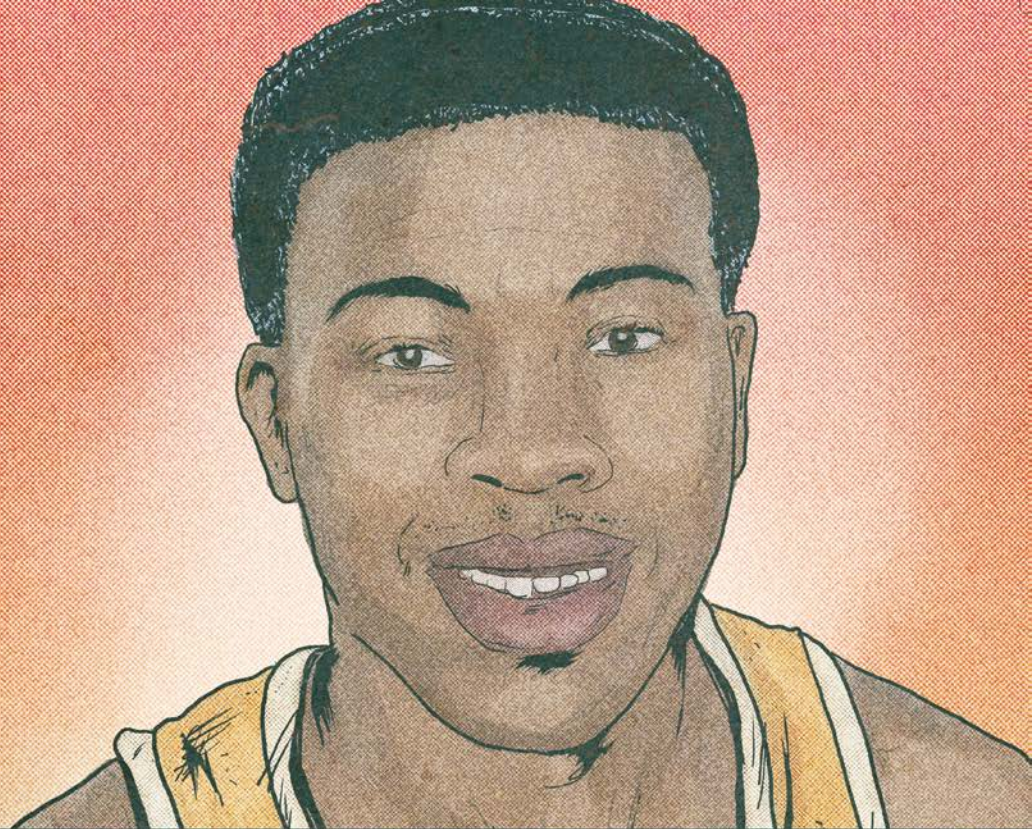
**PHILANDO GRADUATED FROM SAINT PAUL  
CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL IN 2001 AND GOT A  
JOB WORKING FOR THE SAINT PAUL PUBLIC**

**SCHOOL DISTRICT. PHILANDO TOOK AN INTEREST IN THE FIELD OF  
NUTRITION AND STARTED HIS CAREER AS A NUTRITION SERVICES ASSISTANT  
AT CHELSEA HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL,  
BOTH IN ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA. HE THEN MOVED ON TO A HIGHER  
POSITION AT J. J. HILL MONTESSORI MAGNET SCHOOL IN ST. PAUL IN  
AUGUST 2014. AT J.J. HILL MONTESSORI MAGNET SCHOOL, CASTILE WAS  
THEIR "LUNCH MAN." HE MANAGED THE CAFETERIA, WHERE THE STUDENTS  
CALLED HIM MR. PHIL.**

**P IS ALSO FOR...**

**PHILLIP WHITE, PATERSON BROWN, PETER GAINES, PATRICIA SPIVEY,  
PAUL O'NEAL, PAMELA TURNER, PEYER JOHN, PAUL GASTON**





# Q

## IS FOR QUINTONIO LÉGRIER

QUINTONIO LEGRIER WAS 19-YEARS-OLD, BORN ON CHICAGO'S SOUTH SIDE AND RAISED BY A FOSTER MOTHER FROM THE AGE OF FIVE-YEARS-OLD. HE STUDIED AT NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY WHERE HE WAS A STUDENT IN ITS COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING.

**Q IS ALSO FOR...**

**QUANICE DERRICK HAYES, QUINTINE BARKSDALE**





# R

## IS FOR RICHARD PERKINS JR.

39-YEAR-OLD RICHARD PERKINS JR. WAS BORN AND RAISED IN OAKLAND, CALIF. HE WAS THE FATHER OF TWO CHILDREN.

### R IS ALSO FOR...

RYAN TWYMAN, RASHAUN WASHINGTON, ROBERT LAWRENCE WHITE, RONELL FOSTER, RODERICK TAYLOR, RAYNARD BURTON, RYAN STOKES, RITCHIE LEE HARBISON, REGINALD L. MOORE SR., RICHARD DAVIS, ROSS ANTHONY, RAYSHAUN COLE, ROBERT DENTMOND, RICKY HINKLE, ROY LEE RICHARDS, RUMAIN BRISBON, RAPHAEL THOMAS, REGINALD WILLIAMS JR., RONNIE LEDESMA JR., RUSSELL LYDELL SMITH





# S

## IS FOR SANDRA BLAND

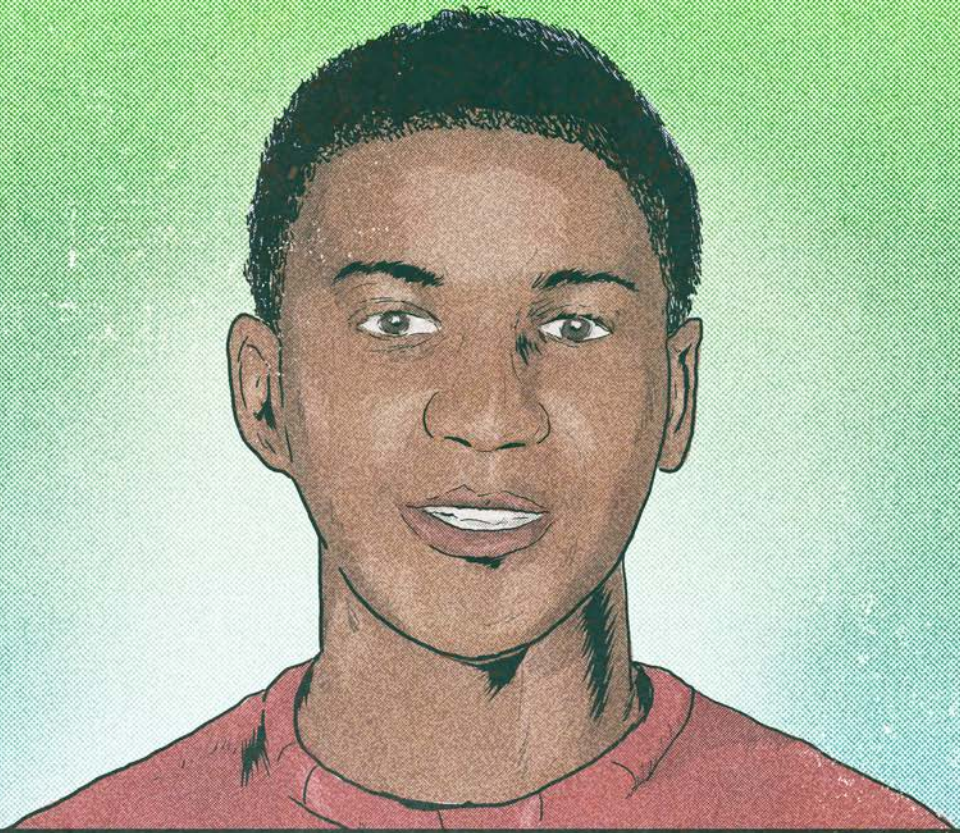
**SANDRA ANNETTE BLAND WAS FROM NAPERVILLE, ILLINOIS, A SUBURB OF CHICAGO, AND WAS ONE OF FIVE SISTERS. SHE ATTENDED**

**WILLOWBROOK HIGH SCHOOL IN VILLA PARK, ILLINOIS, THEN PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY OUTSIDE HEMPSTEAD IN WALLER COUNTY, TEXAS, WHERE SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY. SHE HAD GRADUATED FROM THE HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE IN 2009 AND WAS RETURNING AS A STUDENT AMBASSADOR, ACCORDING TO FAMILY MEMBERS. SHARON COOPER, ONE OF SANDRA'S SISTERS, RECALLS THAT, "SHE WAS SOMEONE WHO WAS EXTREMELY SPONTANEOUS, SPUNKY, OUTGOING, TRULY FILLED WITH LIFE AND JOY. TO KNOW SANDY WAS TO LOVE HER."**

### **S IS ALSO FOR...**

**SALVADO ELLSWOOD, SAMUEL DUBOSE, STEVEN DAY, STEPHAN MURRAY, STEPHON CLARK, SYLVILLE SMITH, STEPHEN GAYLE, SHERIDA DAVIS, SABIN MARCUS JONES, SPENCER MCCAIN, SAMUEL DUBOSE, SHERMAN EVANS**





# **T** IS FOR **TRAYVON** **MARTIN**

**TRAYVON ENJOYED SPORTS GAMES. HE WASHED CARS, BABYSAT, AND CUT GRASS TO EARN HIS OWN MONEY. MARTIN'S FORMER FOOTBALL**

**COACH SAID MARTIN HAD BEEN ONE OF THE BEST PLAYERS ON THEIR FOOTBALL TEAM. MARTIN HAD WANTED TO FLY OR REPAIR AIRPLANES AND IN 2009, ENROLLED IN "EXPERIENCE AVIATION", A PROGRAM IN FLORIDA, RUN BY AWARD WINNING AVIATOR BARRINGTON IRVING. AFTER MARTIN GRADUATED FROM THE PROGRAM, HE SPENT THE SUMMER VOLUNTEERING, HELPING OUT NEW STUDENTS IN THE AVIATION PROGRAM. ACCORDING TO HIS PARENTS, MARTIN HAD HOPED TO ATTEND THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI.**

## **T IS ALSO FOR...**

**TANISHA ANDERSON, TAMIR RICE, TERRILL THOMAS, TERRANCE CARLTON, TONY ROBINSON, TROY ROBINSON, TYREE CRAWFORD, THOMAS YATSKO, TORREY ROBINSON, TERRENCE CRUTCHER, TROY TA'QUAN PRINGLE, THOMAS WILLIAMS, TASHII S. BROWN, THOMAS ALLEN JR., TERRY PRICE, TROY ROBINSON, TIARA THOMAS, THOMAS LANE, TYRE KING, TERRENCE CRUTCHER, TAWON BOYD, TIANO METON, TOMMY YANCY, TYRONE DAVIS, TERRY LAFFITTLE, TREON JOHNSON, TYRONE WEST**





**U**

**IS FOR  
"UNCLE"  
CALVON REID**

**CALVON "UNC"/"DRE" REID WAS A 39 YEAR OLD MEAT SALESMAN. HIS MOTHER, MAMIE REID, REMEMBERS CALVIN AS HAVING A "GREAT MIND."**

**HE WAS VERY SMART AND VERY PERSONABLE AND HAD A BEAUTIFUL SMILE."  
CALVON WAS ALSO A FATHER OF TWO BOYS.**





# V IS FOR VICTOR WHITE

THOSE WHO KNEW HIM DESCRIBED HIM AS A GOOFBALL, EAGER TO MAKE FRIENDS AND FAMILY LAUGH. HE HAD BEGUN SAVING FOR AN APARTMENT WITH HIS LONG-TIME GIRLFRIEND AND THEIR INFANT DAUGHTER. FAMILY MEMBERS SAY HE WAS TRYING TO DECIDE WHETHER TO GO TO COMMUNITY COLLEGE OR APPLY FOR A MORE LUCRATIVE JOB WORKING ON ONE OF THE OIL RIGS THAT DOT THE GULF OF MEXICO. HE'D EVEN STARTED COMMUTING TO ALEXANDRIA, LOUISIANA NOW AND THEN TO ATTEND SUNDAY SERVICES AT HARMONY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH, WHERE HIS FATHER WAS THE PREACHER. FATHER, REV. WHITE, REMEMBERS THAT VICTOR WOULD, "CALL AND TEXT THE FAMILY EVERY NIGHT. 'I LOVE YOU, Y'ALL WOULD HAVE BEEN PROUD OF ME, I'M WORKING ANOTHER DOUBLE [SHIFT].'"

## V IS ALSO FOR...

VICTO LOROSA III, VERNELL BING JR., VONDERRIT D. MYERS JR.,  
VERMICA WOODARD





# **W** IS FOR **WALTER** **SCOTT**

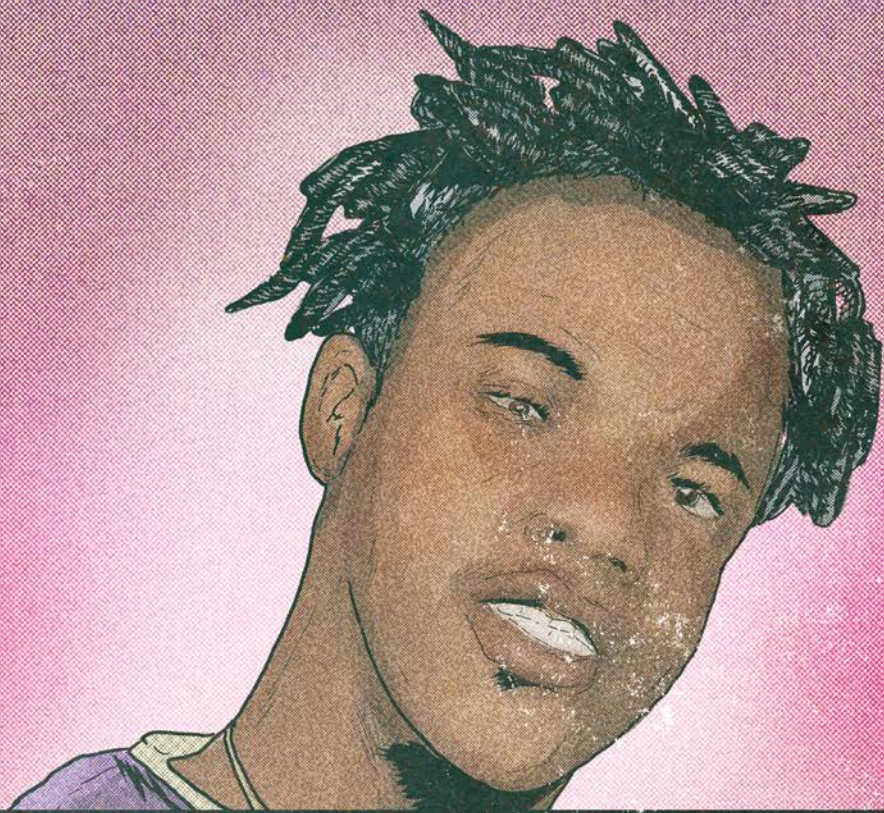
**WALTER LAMAR SCOTT WAS A 50-YEAR-OLD FATHER OF FOUR. HE WAS BORN ON FEBRUARY 9, 1965, IN NORTH CHARLESTON,**

**SOUTH CAROLINA. SCOTT PREVIOUSLY SERVED TWO YEARS IN THE U.S. COAST GUARD. AFTER LEAVING THE COAST GUARD, SCOTT WORKED AS A FORKLIFT OPERATOR, WHILE ALSO STUDYING MASSAGE THERAPY.**

## **W IS ALSO FOR...**

**WARREN RAGUDO, WILLIAM MATTHEW HOLMES, WENDELL CELESTINE, WAYNE WHEELER, WILLIAM CHAPMAN, WILLIAM TAYLOR, WILLIAM ALFRED HARVEY, WILLIE JAMES WILLIAMS, WILLIE SAMS, WILLIE HARDEN, WILLIE LEE BINGHAM JR.**





# **X** IS FOR **XAVIER** **TYRELL** **JOHNSON**

**XAVIER TYRELL JOHNSON, 31, AND HIS GIRLFRIEND, YOLANDA THOMAS, 34, WERE SAYING TO MOVE AWAY FROM MIAMI TOGETHER. XAVIER'S MOTHER, BETTY WHITAKER SAYS THAT XAVIER AND YOLANDA WERE "GETTING READY TO MAKE A MOVE TO LIVE WITH ME IN PORT ST. LUCIE AND HIM AND THE GIRL WAS TALKING ABOUT MARRIAGE JUST LAST WEEK. THEY'RE SAYING "WE WANT TO GO AND WE WANT TO MAKE A FRESH START SOMEWHERE."**





**Y**

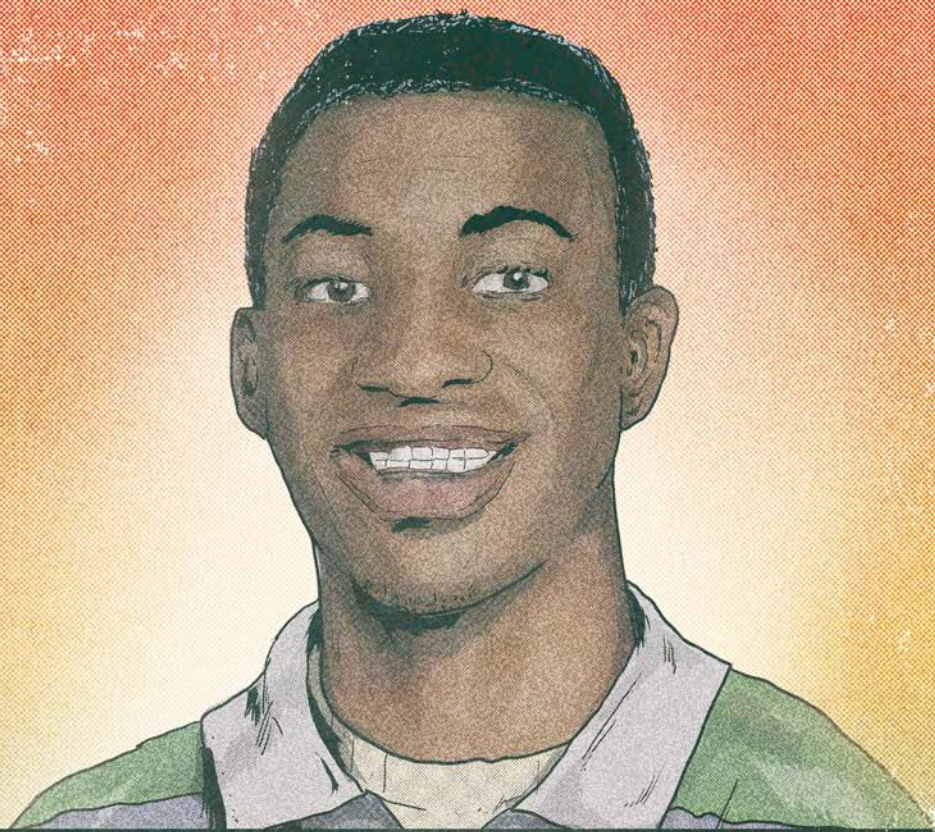
**IS FOR  
YVETTE  
SMITH**

**YVETTE SMITH WAS A 47-YEAR-OLD MOTHER  
OF THREE FROM BASTROP, TEXAS.  
RELATIVES OF YVETTE SAID THAT SHE,**

**"WAS A KIND WOMAN AND WAS ALWAYS FULL OF JOY."**

**Y IS ALSO FOR...  
YOLANDA THOMAS**





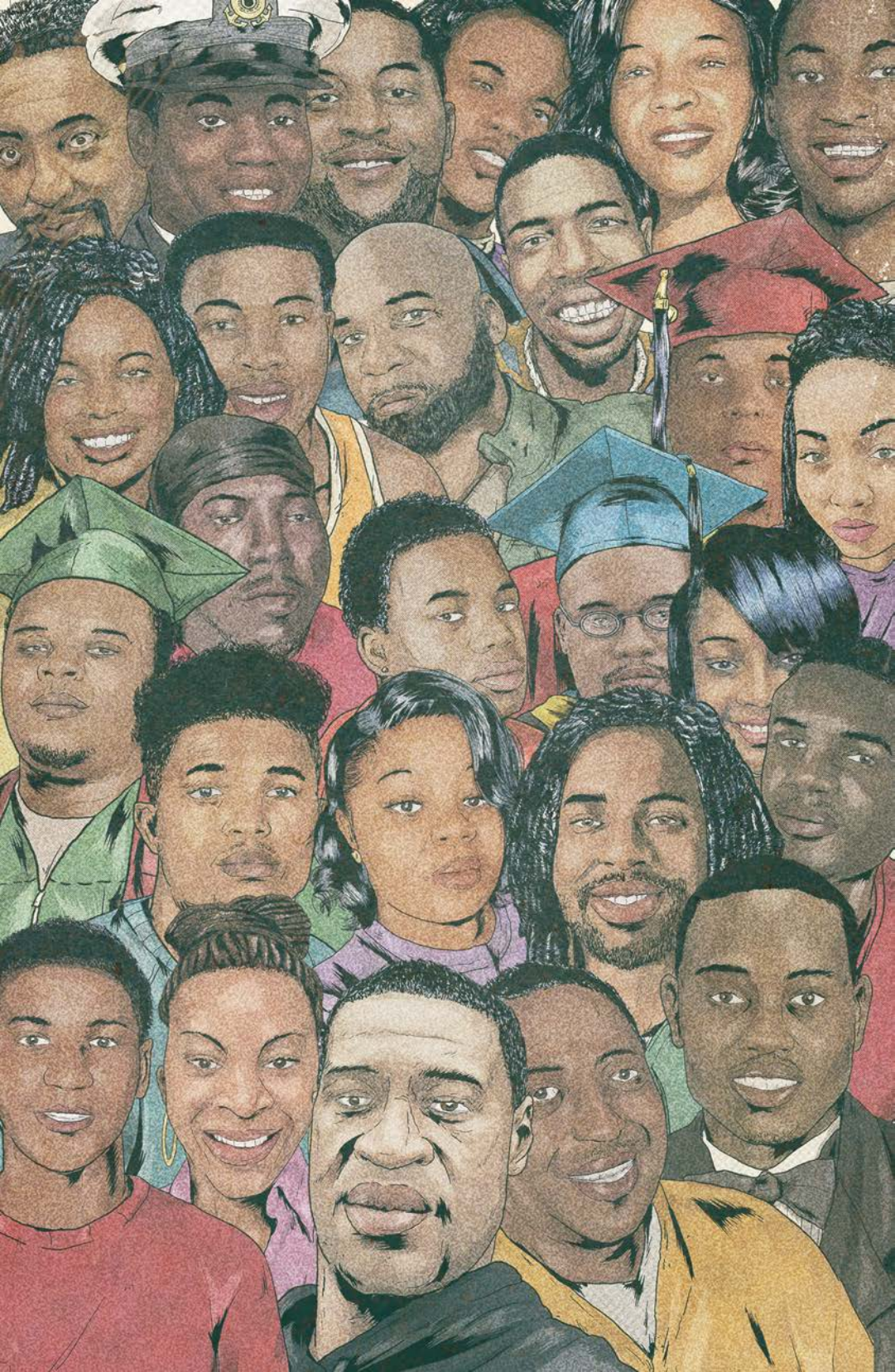
# Z

## IS FOR ZIKARIOUS FLINT

ZIKARIOUS "SNOOP" JAQUAN FLINT WAS A 20-YEAR-OLD FROM COLUMBUS, GEORGIA. HE WAS THE BROTHER OF TWO SISTERS.

HIS MOTHER, SHAMANIQUE FLINT, REMEMBERS ZIKARIOUS AS BEING HIS GRANDMOTHER'S "FAVORITE" OUT OF 10 GRANDCHILDREN. ZIKARIOUS ONCE TOLD HIS MOTHER, "IF ANYTHING EVER HAPPENS TO ME, I DON'T WANT A FUNERAL, I WANT YOU TO THROW A PARTY." THAT WAS ALWAYS HIS OUTLOOK ON LIFE.







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# ABC's BOOK



As non-Black people, it is important to educate ourselves, recognize our privilege, and use our voices to speak out against injustices in our everyday lives. It's easy for us to feel anger in the moment, and let it go a few hours later. But for Black people, these injustices seem endless.

We will not let these Black voices go unheard. In this zine, you'll read the names of beautiful Black lives lost, but not forgotten.

If there's a way to relearn your ABC's...  
say it with their names.

