

## TDoR 2018

November 20th was founded as the 'Transgender Day of Remembrance' (TDoR) in 1998 by Gwendolyn Smith- a transgender woman who was a renowned columnist and activist. In 2018, advocates tracked at least 28 deaths of transgender people in the United States due to fatal violence, the most ever recorded. These victims were killed by acquaintances, partners and strangers, some of whom have been arrested and charged, while others have yet to be identified. Some of these cases involve clear anti-transgender bias. In others, the victim's transgender status may have put them at risk in other ways, such as forcing them into homelessness.

While the details of these cases differ, it is clear that fatal violence disproportionately affects transgender women of color, and that the intersections of racism, sexism, homophobia and transphobia conspire to deprive them of employment, housing, healthcare and other necessities, barriers that make them vulnerable. As is too often the case in the reporting of anti-transgender violence, many of these victims are misgendered in local police statements and media reports, which can delay our awareness of deadly incidents.

During Tuesday's vigil, we shared a common vision and a love for each other that few others can or will emulate. The message? This IS NOT a choice. We do not choose to lose our families, our jobs, our homes, OUR LIVES! This IS who we are! We intend to live that life as God given us, just like everyone else. Just like every year, we witnessed a very moving experience, and one I know I won't likely ever forget. **Maybe- just maybe-** with your help becoming a bona fide ally of the Trans community, we can overcome these atrocities and let those in need shine through. **How will you help?**

## IN MEMORIAM

In commemoration of Transgender Day of Remembrance, HRC remembers the lives and mourns the loss of the following individuals:

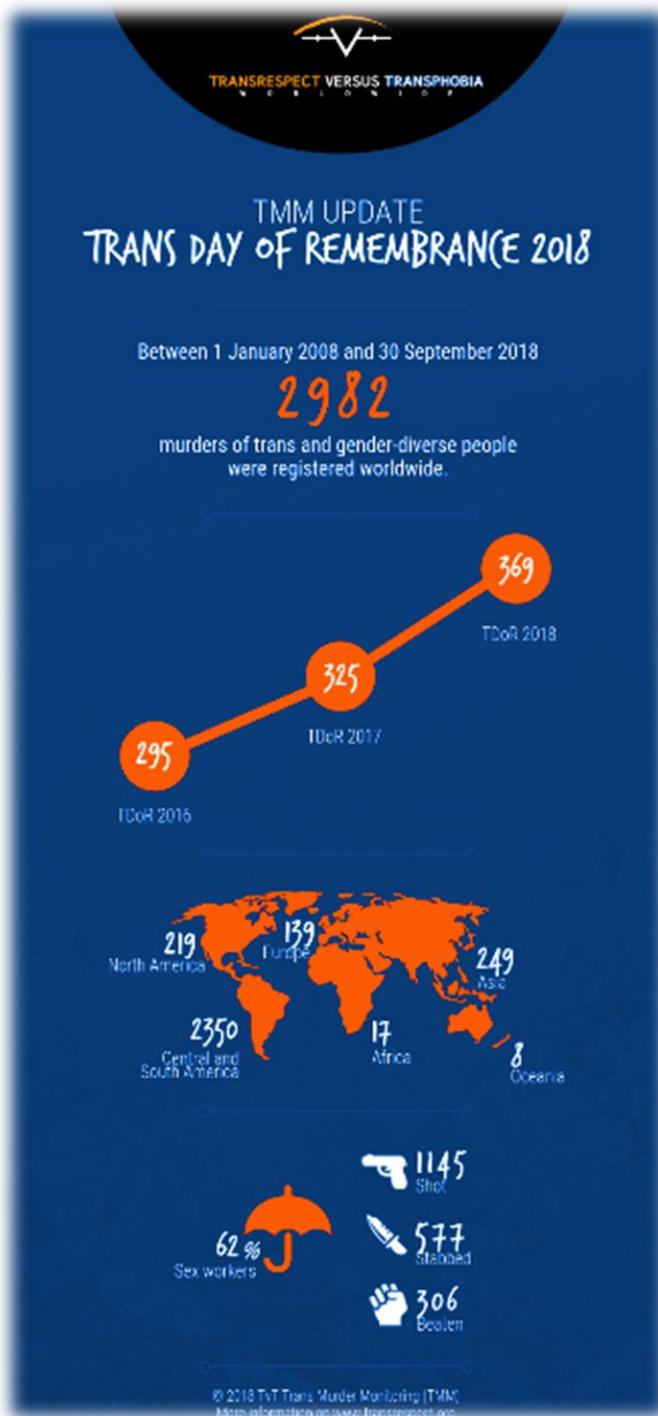
 <b>Christa Leigh Steele-Krudtsien</b> North Adams, MA Age 42   January 11, 2018	 <b>Vicky Gutierrez</b> Los Angeles, CA Age 33   January 10, 2018	 <b>Celine Walker</b> Jacksonville, FL Age 36   February 4, 2018	 <b>Sasha Garden</b> Orlando, FL Age 27   July 12, 2018	 <b>Dejanay Stanton</b> Chicago, IL Age 24   August 30, 2018	 <b>Yontashia Bell</b> Shreveport, LA Age 18   August 30, 2018
 <b>Tonga "Kita" Harway</b> Buffalo, NY Age 35   February 6, 2018	 <b>Zakaria Fry</b> Albuquerque, NM Age 28   February 1, 2018	 <b>Phylicia Mitchell</b> Cleveland, OH Age 4b   February 23, 2018	 <b>Shantea Tucker</b> Philadelphia, PA Age 30   September 1, 2018	 <b>Londonn Moore</b> North Fort, FL Age 20   September 8, 2018	 <b>Nikki Enriquez</b> Laredo, TX Age 28   September 15, 2018
 <b>Anita Tyras Berryman</b> Baton Rouge, LA Age 28   March 26, 2018	 <b>Sasha Wall</b> Charleston County, SC Age 29   April 1, 2018	 <b>Karla Patricia Flores-Pavón</b> Dallas, TX Age 26   May 9, 2018	 <b>Clara Minaj Carter Frazier</b> Chicago, IL Age 31   October 3, 2018	 <b>Rowana Hernández</b> Albuquerque, NM Age 33   May 26, 2018	 <b>Jesse Sumlar</b> Jacksonville, FL Age 30   July 12, 2018
 <b>Niso Fortson</b> Atlanta, GA Age 36   May 13, 2018	 <b>Gigi Pierce</b> Holland, OR Age 28   May 21, 2018	 <b>Antash'a English</b> Jacksonville, FL Age 38   June 1, 2018	 <b>Jaylow Magliary</b> Alexandria, LA Age 29   August 4, 2017	 <b>Brooklyn Bre'Yanna Stevenson</b> Oklahoma City, OK Age 31   November 27, 2017	 <b>Brandt Seals</b> Houston, TX Age 26   December 13, 2017
 <b>Diamond Stephens</b> Meridian, MS Age 39   June 18, 2018	 <b>Kelisha Wells</b> Cleveland, OH Age 34   June 24, 2018	 <b>Cathalina Christina James</b> Jacksonville, FL Age 24   June 24, 2018	 <b>Briannon Layendecker</b> Englewood, FL Age 31   December 16, 2017		

■ 2018 DEATHS  
■ OTHER DEATHS IN 2018  
■ LATE 2017 DEATHS

Presented by these sources-

- <https://tdor.info>
- [NTDS Exec Summary 2012.pdf](#)
- <https://transrespect.org/en/research/>
- The Remembering Our Dead Project, <http://www.tdor.info>

TvT research project, <http://transrespect.org/en/trans-murder-monitoring/tmm-resources/>

Statistics for 2018-

**TRANSRESPECT VERSUS TRANSPHOBIA WORLDWIDE**  
**TvT TMM UPDATE · TRANS DAY OF REMEMBRANCE 2018**

369 reported murders of trans and gender-diverse people  
between 1 October 2017 and 30 September 2018

**Africa**

South Africa	3
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**Asia**

Pakistan	8
India	7
Philippines	2
Bangladesh	1

**Central and South America**

Brazil	167
Mexico	71
Colombia	21
Argentina	9
El Salvador	6
Venezuela	6
Guatemala	4
Honduras	3
Paraguay	3
Peru	2
Bolivia	2
Dominican Republic	2
Chile	2
Puerto Rico	1
Ecuador	1
Trinidad and Tobago	1
Nicaragua	1

**Europe**

Turkey	7
Italy	5
France	2
UK	1
Spain	1

**Oceania**

Fiji	1
New Zealand	1

**North America**

USA	28
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[www.transrespect.org](http://www.transrespect.org)

SOURCE- [Violence Against the Transgender Community in 2018 | Human Rights Campaign](#)