

# Commemoration and Celebration of the Life of **Will Reese (1950-2016)**



**Saturday, May 14th, 2016, 4:00 pm**

Metropolitan Baptist Church  
West 128th St. & Adam Clayton Powell Blvd.  
New York City

Come together for a Commemoration and Celebration of the life of Will Reese (Bobby Hill)—revolutionary communist, dedicated fighter for the people, and follower of the new synthesis of communism and the leadership of Bob Avakian (BA).

Will Reese (Bobby Hill) died at the end of February in NYC after a four-year battle with cancer. Our hearts ache at this loss.

On May 14th you are invited to celebrate a remarkable person and truly meaningful life.

Will Reese came up in rural southwest Virginia under the suffocating reign of open white supremacy, where the rules for Black people were written in Jim Crow laws, in reactionary customs... and in blood. As a young man, Will responded with defiance and refusal to go along with the way things were. He adopted the Black Panther attire, and attempted to integrate barber shops and skating rinks.

Will Reese saw the need to radically change things, and that set the terms for his whole life. In the mid-1970s, he encountered the Revolutionary Communist Party (RCP) and recognized that this Party and this leadership was what he had been looking for. He became a member of the RCP and a follower of BA, the Chairman of the Party. Will



spent the rest of his life devoted to spreading this revolution.

Will's compelling agitation on the street corners of Harlem and beyond laid bare the outrages of the capitalist system and made real the possibility of a radically different and better future. Will was incredibly warm, playful, and loving. He saw, and reached for, the best in everyone he met, welcoming people to play the greatest role they could in the movement for revolution.

We look forward to remembering and celebrating Will's life with you.

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