

43rd Annual Mississippi Civil Rights Martyrs Memorial Service and Conference and Caravan for Justice

Longdale Community Center site
County Road 632
Neshoba County, Mississippi
June 23 - 24, 2007



Andrew Goodman



James Chaney



Michael Schwerner

JUSTICE FOR MISSISSIPPI CIVIL RIGHTS MARTYRS!

Compared to the number of murders committed and the number of murderers involved in Mississippi, investigations and prosecutions have been a token few.

You are invited to attend the 43rd Annual Mississippi Civil Rights Martyrs Memorial Service and Conference. We shall remember and honor the three slain civil rights workers, James Earl Chaney, Andrew Goodman, Michael Schwerner, and all Mississippi civil rights movement martyrs. The services and conference will be held on Saturday, June 23, from 2:30 - 6:30 pm and Sunday, June 24, from 10 am - 4:00 pm at the location of the former Longdale community center on County Road 632 in the Longdale community in Neshoba County, Mississippi.

The memorial service and conference will be preceded by a Caravan for Justice that will depart from the First Union Missionary Baptist Church in Meridian, 610 38th Avenue, at 10 am Saturday, June 23, and after several stops at the old COFO office, the James Chaney grave site, the murder site on Rock Cut Road, the Philadelphia Courthouse square, and the Mt. Zion Church, will arrive at Longdale at 2:30 pm.

The service and conference activities will be conducted outdoors on the Steele family's land. There is ample shade and ample parking. A backup indoor site has been arranged, so there will not be a problem in the event of rain. The community on the road people will travel to get to the site is friendly to our cause. There will be much and varied food, from barbeque to healthy salads, for attendees. Thanks in advance to the food committee.

This will be an event for remembering, conversation, exchanging thoughts and ideas, strategizing and calling for justice in the murders of Mississippi civil rights movement martyrs and for strategizing for continuing the struggle against racial oppression of people of color in Mississippi. We hope you will join us. The service is open to the general public.

The location for the memorial can be reached from Philadelphia, Mississippi, by going east approximately 2 miles on highway 16, then turning left on county road 482 and proceeding about 7 miles, then turning right on county road 632 and proceeding for about 1 1/2 miles. The former community center site is on the right.

Directions from Meridian: Take highway 19 north to Philadelphia (38 miles); from Philadelphia go east 2 miles on Hwy 16; turn left on county road 482 and go 7 miles; turn right on county road 632 and go 1 1/2 miles. Longdale Community Center site is on the right.

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