

**Shaheed**
Md. Alamgir Sheikh

Date of birth: 18 October, 1987
Date of martyrdom: 19 July, 2024
Division: Khulna
District: Kushtia

Short Biography

Profession: Driver,
Place of Martyrdom: Rampura, Dhaka

Martyrdom Details and History

The village of Kasba, Shilaidah Union, Kumarkhali Upazila, Kushtia District, is where Martyr Alamgir Sheikh was born. He was the son of housewife Aleya Khatun and grocer Md. Izharul Haque. In addition to himself, he was the oldest of his parents' three children.

Martyr Alamgir was a driver by profession. He drove for Health Care Pharmaceuticals in Dhaka. His father's business generated a monthly income of 10,000 taka. The income from his father's business, along with Alamgir's earnings, was used to cover the expenses of his younger siblings' education and the family's overall expenses. Martyr Alamgir was married and had children. His elder daughter, Tuli Jahan Asma, is 11 years old and studies in the 4th grade. His son, Abdullah Awlad, is 5 years old. On July 19, 2024, he became a martyr, leaving behind his two daughters as orphans.

Personal Life

Alamgir Sheikh was born on October 18, 1987, in the village of Kasba, Shilaidah Union, Kumarkhali Upazila, Kushtia District, to Izharul Haque and Aleya Khatun. Theirs was a family of limited means, and four more children were born after Alamgir. Due to financial constraints and to support his younger siblings, Alamgir Sheikh could not continue his education beyond secondary school. He started working as a shop assistant in a grocery store. He worked there for a long time. His childhood and adolescence were spent in various professions. After reaching adulthood, Alamgir Sheikh got married and started a family. After marriage, with the increase in family expenses, he went to Dhaka with the dream of earning more. He started working as a driver in a medical institution called 'Health Care Pharmaceuticals' in Rampura, Dhaka. He worked there until his death. The money he sent home was used to cover the education of his younger brother, Azad, and other family expenses. Alamgir Sheikh had a daughter and a son. They were named Tuli Jahan Asma and Abdullah Awlad.

Description of the Martyrdom

The country's quota reform movement had reached its peak. Dhaka and the entire country were in turmoil. The Awami autocratic government, which had been illegally in power for a decade and a half, was carrying out inhumane torture on the protesting students. Instead of finding any solution to the justified movement for quota reform, they adopted a cruel policy to suppress it. The government's vigilante forces, namely Chhatra League and the police, used rubber bullets, shotgun pellets, baton charges, and the deadliest of all, live bullets to pierce the chests of the students. On July 19, 2024, after Friday prayers, Alamgir went to his workplace. Students were protesting in Rampura, and the police were indiscriminately shooting at the innocent students, along with baton charges. The common people were so fed up with the Awami terrorism that had been going on for nearly a decade and a half that they could not be suppressed even after such

brutal acts. As time passed, the intensity of the movement increased, and then suddenly, shooting started from the sky. Some people were injured when shots were fired from a helicopter. Martyr Alamgir went downstairs to provide water to the injured students who were participating in the movement. On his way back, at approximately 2:30 to 3:00 PM, a police bullet entered his right shoulder and lodged in his chest. The students and people with him immediately took him to a hospital, where the on-duty doctor declared him dead.

Funeral and Burial

Without any post-mortem examination, the body was brought to his village home late on July 20. On July 21, the martyr's namaz-e-janaza was held and he was buried socially.

How Martyr Alamgir Was

Martyr Alamgir was a very generous person in his personal life. He was a selfless person since childhood. He always extended a helping hand to everyone in need. This is reflected in the words of his uncle. His distant uncle Firoz said, "Alamgir was a very good boy. He would rush to help anyone who was in trouble. When I see his two children, I cannot hold back my tears." His words were reflected in the movement. Martyr Alamgir Sheikh was helping the protesters in various ways, including arranging treatment for the injured students, bringing water for the students to drink, and so on. While helping others, he sacrificed his life and left an example of sacrificing himself for the sake of humanity. This self-sacrifice of his will inspire all those who have taken the vow of human service for ages to come.

Family Condition

With the loss of the main source of income for the family, the martyr's family is facing various crises. His youngest brother, Azad, said that they have become destitute after the death of his brother. The entire cost of the children's education was borne by their elder brother. The martyr's wife is worried about raising her two young children. She is living with her children in her husband's house.

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Personal Information of the Shaheed at a Glance

Name: Md. Alamgir Sheikh

Birth: 18-10-1987

Profession: Driver

Father's Name: Mr. Izharul Haque

Mother's Name: Mrs. Aleya Khatun

Date of Martyrdom: July 19, 2024

Place of Martyrdom: Rampura

Killer: Police

Type of Injury: Bullet

Date of Being Shot: 19-07-24

Date and Time of Martyrdom: 19-07-24, 3:00 PM

Burial Place: His village home

Address: Village: Kasba, Shilaidah, Upazila: Kumarkhali, District: Kushtia

Suggestions

1. Arranging regular allowance for the martyr's family.
2. Bearing all the expenses of living and education for the two young children.
3. Arranging employment for the martyr's wife.

Quranic Verse

Do not say that those who are killed in the way of Allah are dead. Rather, they are alive, but you do not perceive it. (Al-Baqarah 2:154)

Hadith

Whoever sincerely asks Allah for martyrdom, Allah will grant them the status of martyrs. (Sahih Muslim 1888)

Prayers offered: 2