



Shaheed

Md Rezaul Karim

Date of birth: 1 February, 2009
Date of martyrdom: 4 August, 2024
Division: Dhaka City
District: Dhaka

Short Biography

Profession: Student

Educational Institution: Mirhajirbag Ideal High School

Class: 7th Grade

Place of Martyrdom: Kutubkhali Toll Plaza, Jatrabari, Dhaka

Martyrdom Details and History

The Blood-Stained Boy

The Story of Martyr Mohammad Rezaul Karim

A Spark of Courage. A Cry of Protest. A Baptism of Fire.

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Martyr's Identity

In a narrow alley of old Dhaka, at house number 39, Mirhajirbagh, Jatrabari, lived a young boy with vast dreams. His name: Mohammad Rezaul Karim.

His father, Md. Al-Amin Mir, was an electrician by trade, and his mother, Rashida Begum, a homemaker. The family survived on a meager monthly income of 20,000 BDT, yet their dreams for their children were worth more than any wealth. Among their three children, Rezaul was their only son—their guiding hope, the one they believed would one day light the way forward.

Born on February 1, 2009, in the heart of Dhaka, Rezaul's life was as clear and sacred as verses from the Quran. A student of class 7 at Mirhajirbag Adarsha High School, he was also pursuing Hifz studies, having memorized 7 paras of the Quran. He was balancing religious and worldly education with maturity beyond his years.

Family and Early Life

Rezaul's two sisters were Fatematuz Zohra, a class twelve student at Badrunnesa College, and Tanjila Akhter, a fourth grader. Despite financial hardship, the family was rich in love and purpose. In Rezaul's heart bloomed a nest of wide dreams—modest in material life, yet ambitious in hope.

Prelude to Revolution: The Political Climate of 2024

By mid-2024, a storm of unrest swept through Bangladesh. The authoritarian regime's repression, injustice, and attack on freedoms pushed people to the edge. Citizens—students, workers, day laborers—rose up in protest. Dhaka's streets, especially in Jatrabari, Gazipur, Shyamoli, and Motijheel, simmered like a field of gunpowder, ready to ignite.

Schools were often closed. The state trembled in fear while the youth led with courage. Rezaul, too, was a son of this uprising. When schools closed, he helped his father at work or his mother at home—but his heart belonged to a higher cause: a Bangladesh free from injustice. At times, he would secretly join protests

with his friendsâ€”eyes filled with resolve, heart rooted in ideals.

The Day a Boyâ€™s Name Was Etched into History

On August 4, 2024, at 2:30 PM, Rezaul told his mother, â€œIâ€™m going out to meet some friends.â€ Perhaps he knew, in his heart, that todayâ€™s path would be different. Dhakaâ€™s Kutubkhali Toll Plaza was aflame with protest. Police fired tear gas, rubber bullets, and even live rounds on unarmed demonstrators. At 7:30 PM, a call came from an unknown number to Rezaulâ€™s home. His mother, Rashida Begum, answered, only to hear: â€œYour son Rezaul has been shot. We are taking him to Dhaka Medical.â€ Then the call cut off. As she frantically tried to call back, a passerby confirmed the location: Rezaul had been shot near Jatrabari Thana, close to Kutubkhali Toll Plaza. By 8:00 PM, Rezaul succumbed to his injuries. The bullet had torn through his chest, and with it, he passed into a new horizonâ€”where martyrs rest and history remember.

A Familyâ€™s Grief and Memories

When Rezaulâ€™s body returned home, his mother broke into cries: â€œMy son! My pure child! He only memorized the Qurâ€™anâ€ He only stood for whatâ€™s right!â€ His father, Md. Al-Amin, who has knee problems, collapsed to the ground in silence, unable to speak. His grandmother, Mosammat Rasheda Begum, recalled: â€œHe never said a rude wordâ€ He wouldnâ€™t eat without inviting me. Who will call me â€œDadiâ€ now?â€ That familyâ€™s only son is no more. Income has droppedâ€”his father can no longer concentrate on work. His mother weeps silently for days. Every corner of their home cries out his absence.

The Final Resting Place

Today, Rezaul lies buried in Jurain Cemetery. But that grave does not only hold a lifeless bodyâ€”it carries a generationâ€™s conscience, a familyâ€™s dream, a nationâ€™s awakening. Passersby pause and whisper, â€œHe was only a boyâ€ yet the state feared him.â€

The Final Truth: A Nationâ€™s Mirror

Mohammad Rezaul Karim is not just a boy in our eyesâ€”he is a mirror to our collective conscience. His sacrifice proves that courage does not depend on age. When the state guns down the innocent, martyrs like Rezaul rise as the echoes of history. One Rezaulâ€™s death gives birth to a hundred more. We say: â€œIt is your blood that brings us dawn; it is you who wake us from slumber.â€ If one person, standing before Rezaulâ€™s grave, vows to stand against injustice, then his death was not in vain. A child faced the state. A boy defied bullets for truth.

A family lost a sonâ€”But a nation gained a martyr. He wrote history not with tears, but with bravery.

A Pledge in His Name

â€œLet no other Rezaul fall to bullets. May every young Rezaul carry the flag of truth.

Or the future will falter.â€ This tribute is not just a eulogy for Rezaul Karim. It is a witness, a declaration, a certificateâ€”that a boy once showed us what courage truly means.

Proposal

â€œThe Blood-Stained Boy: The Story of Martyr Mohammad Rezaul Karimâ€ is more than a biographyâ€”it is a voice against injustice, a flame of resistance, a call to our collective conscience. History bears witness: the brightest lights often burn in the hands of the youngest. Rezaul was that light. With his warm blood, he illuminated the path for a repressed nationâ€™s future. His life and martyrdom teach us: Courage has no age. Protest is never silent. And martyrs never fadeâ€”they stand beside every just cause. This memorial writing is a dedication to Rezaul Karim, so we remember where we came from, what we lost, and why we must rise again. May his sacrifice continue to teach, to inspire, and to stir our conscienceâ€”so that no

other mother mourns, and no other injustice stands unchallenged.

Key Recommendations

1. Provide sustainable employment for the martyr's father.
2. Offer educational scholarships for both of Rezaul's sisters.
3. Arrange monthly or one-time financial assistance for the family.

At-a-Glance Profile

Field Details

Full Name Mohammad Rezaul Karim

Date of Birth 01 February 2009

Place of Birth Dhaka

Profession Student

School & Grade Mirhajirbag Adarsha High School, Class 7

Address House-39, Mirhajirbag, Jatrabari, Dhaka

Religious Achievement Memorized 7 Paras of the Qur'an

Father Md. Al-Amin Mir, Electrician, Age 49

Mother Rashida Begum, Homemaker, Age 40

Monthly Family Income BDT 20,000

Siblings Two sisters:

Fatematuz Zohra (20), Class 12, Badrunnesa College

Tanjila Akhter (12), Class 4, Mirhajirbag Adarsha High School

Place of Incident Kutubkhali Toll Plaza

Cause of Death Bullet fired by police

Date & Time of Injury 04 August 2024, 7:30 PM

Date & Time of Death 04 August 2024, 8:00 PM

Burial Location Jurain Cemetery, Dhaka

Quranic Verse

They rejoice in what Allah has bestowed upon them of His bounty. (Al-Imran 3:170)

Hadith

A martyr will be able to intercede for seventy relatives in Paradise. (Sunan Abu Dawood 2520)

Prayers offered: 0

Memorial Photo Gallery

