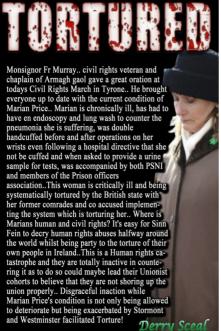


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## Political Status for Irish Republican prisoners!

End the Internment of Price, Corey, Lundy and McGeough!



## Airbrushing out Alan Lundy would be vindictive

September 12, 2012

A letter from Daniel Lundy to Liam Shannon, the Chairperson of Belfast National Graves Association written on the 3rd September 2012.

Liam

As Chairperson of National Graves Association (Belfast), I feel it is necessary to bring to your attention a matter that has caused our family undue suffering and distress.

My father, Alan Lundy, was a dedicated lifelong Republican activist. He was assassinated by a UFF death squad with the assistance of the British State on 1st May 1993, while working in the home of his friend and comrade Alex Maskey. At the time of his death he was a member of the McCaughey/ Saunders Sinn Fein Cumann, and has been acknowledged at Tirghra and in Republican publications as also being an IRA Volunteer. He was also a former Republican POW.

While visiting my father's grave, along with other family members recently, we decided to visit other graves of our patriot dead and also stopped to admire the newly erected County Antrim Memorial. To our astonishment and disgust the name of my father had been omitted. As well as the deep hurt that this has caused our family, it has also led to feelings of anger and betrayal. My father, who was a loving husband and has missed out on seeing his many grandchildren, dedicated and eventually sacrificed his life for the Republican struggle, and now NGA (Belfast) fail to see him worthy enough to have his name inscribed alongside our other patriot dead,



including many of his friends and comrades from Ardoyne, The Bone and further afield.

At a recent meeting with Stormont Minister Gerry Kelly, on the separate matter of the internment of Alan's son (also named Alan), he stated that as he viewed myself and my brother were, in his words, "political opponents of Sinn Fein" he and his party would be doing nothing to support our family in their campaign to have my brother released. As NGA (Belfast), as opposed to the nationwide National Graves Association, is led and directed by Sinn Fein members and to a Sinn Fein agenda, we have to ask does this snub now also extend to the memory of our father, husband and grandfather?

Alan Lundy, my father, was a lifelong member of the Republican Movement, as both an IRA Volunteer and Sinn Fein activist, until his assassination. To airbrush his contribution to the Republican Struggle, due to the political allegiances or lack of, of two of his sons is petty at best and purely vindictive at worst. But most of all it would a betrayal of the man himself and what he stood for, a courageous, dedicated and disciplined Republican who ultimately gave his life for his country, leaving behind his wife and five young children.

I look forward to hearing from you regarding this matter.

Daniel Lundy
(Son of Alan Lundy)

## British State Maltreatment of Marian Price

September 1, 2012: Sandy Boyer (SB) of Radio Free Éireann WBAI 99.5 Pacifica Radio New York City interviews Jerry McGlinchey, (JM) Marian Price's husband, via telephone from Belfast about Marian's health and her continued internment at the whim of Northern Ireland Secretary of State Owen Paterson.

**JM**: Marian in 1980 received full pardon and as I've said that overruled the licence. Pat Ramsey recently wrote to Owen Paterson, who appears

to be the dictator behind all of this, and he raised points to him in relation to the pardon as: How it could have been destroyed? Are there no copies? Had any investigation been carried out as to how this has gone missing? Was anybody being looked at for having destroyed it? And Owen Paterson's reply, believe it or not, consisted simply that he feels the pardon is irrelevant. As I've said, it may be irrelevant to him but to a justice system a pardon has to be totally relevant. And most certainly to Marian and her family the pardon is totally relevant because if that pardon were available Marian would not be in the position she's in now.

SB: So we have a situation, and we're not in the habit of praising members of the Stormont Assembly here, but even when one does the right thing and writes to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland, Owen Paterson, just is not impressed ... just disregards the Stormont Assembly which is supposed ...

JM: Not only that. Owen Paterson not only disregards the MLAs in the Assembly he has actually overruled judges on more than one occasion. And as I've said, I can't understand how the judges are remaining silent. When they give decisions, when they give decisions and an unelected politician here just overrules them that throws the whole legal system here aside and dictates what he wants to happen here...

And what I would say is there's plenty of room for improvement in Marian's case. There's in operation here, a vicious and vindictive plan to destroy Marian. I've said this before and as I say any treatment, any positive moves for Marian are quickly pushed aside by negative happenings coming from the government side.

As I say, a royal pardon, the only one in the history of English law to go missing, and nobody...the Department of Justice, Public Prosecution Service, the PSNI, nobody seems at all worried that this has happened and there's been no investigation as to how it could possibly happen. And to me, that speaks for itself.