

# Beloved Boxing Coach Dies at 88

Charles 'Chuck' Lincoln Sr. • 1932 - 2020

Charles "Chuck" Lee Lincoln Sr., a beloved Portland boxing champion and coach, and father to his community, has died at the age of 88. Lincoln transitioned home peacefully on Aug. 7, 2020.

He was born in Beaumont, Texas on July 26, 1932. The family relocated to Portland in 1942. After attending Benson High school, he joined the U.S Army in 1953. During his military career, he served in the Korean War and boxed for the U.S. Army.

Chuck was a Golden Glove Champion and professional boxer. After his boxing career, he was hired in 1959 by the city of Portland Parks and Recreation as a coach and trainer for the Knott Street Community Center. The rest is history. Every afternoon, 150 or more neighborhood kids flowed through the doors of Knott Street Center.

As a professional trainer, he produced Golden Glove, National, Olympic and professional champions. He trained and coached 9 of 10 national champions from 1961 to 1972. Just to name a few of his fighters, includes Ray Lampkin, #1 World ranked contender, Thad Spencer #1 World ranked contender, Michael Colbert AKA Ad-fo Akil, #1 World ranked, Pete Gonzales #5 World rank, Tommy Thomas, Tony Jacobs, Johnny Howard, Wade Smith, Bill Cross, also known as A. Halim Rahsaan, Lee Jenkins, Clarence Hammick, and Andy Minsker. In honor of Chuck Lincoln and the Knott Street Boxing Club, Oct. 11, 2005 was proclaimed Knott Street Boxing Day by the City of Portland.

Chuck was a father to his community. Parents would send their kids to Chuck Lincoln because of his positive influence on young people through "strong love." There are so many stories and so much history too numerous to list.



Chuck is a Portland legend. Everyone knew and loved him.

He was one of 10 children born to Horace and Beulah Lincoln. He was preceded in death by his parents; five brothers; and three sisters. He is survived by a sister Alice McKinney-Muhammad of Riverside, Calif.; three daughters, Kathleen White (Bill) of Portland, Charleen Lincoln of Atlanta, and Sherisice Marks (Larry) of Vancouver; five sons, Charles Lee Lincoln Jr., Horace Gregory Lincoln and Derrick Louis Lincoln and stepsons Timothy Barrow and Anson Barrow, all of Portland; granddaughters Divina Jenkins (Emmanuel), Lateshia Wesby, Sara Nicole, Carrington Davis, Alexis Johnson; grandsons Jason Marks (Molly) and Matthew Mitchell; great-grandchildren Carlos Causey, Elijah Jenkins, Isaac Rowden, Jaylen Rowden and Ciara Rowden, along with a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends.

This great man and mentor will surely be missed by everyone that knew him.

The family wishes to give a heartfelt thank you to the staff at Cornerstone Care Option for all the care and love bestowed on Chuck. Our dad was not just a

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# No Charges for Non-Violent Protesters

New D.A. cites court system; inequities

(AP) — People arrested in Portland since late May on non-violent misdemeanor charges during the Black Lives Matter protests that have racked the city for more than two months won't be prosecuted.

The new policy announced last week recognizes the outrage and frustration over a history of racial injustice that has led to the city's often violent protests and the practical realities of the court system, Multnomah County District Attorney Mike Schmidt said. It is running more than two months behind in processing cases because of COVID-19.

As a result, at least several hundred people arrested over the past few months will not face criminal prosecution, according to statistics provided by Schmidt's office. The same no prosecution policy applies to those arrested on similar charges in future demonstrations, he said.

"The protesters are angry ... and deeply frustrated with what they



Mike Schmidt

perceive to be structural inequities in our basic social fabric. And this frustration can escalate to levels that violate the law," Schmidt said.

He added: "This policy acknowledges that centuries of disparate treatment of our black and brown communities have left deep wounds and that the healing process will not be easy or quick."

Portland Police Chief Chuck Lovell, informed of the impending policy change last week, said the decision does not change Oregon

law and still holds accountable people who commit violent acts or intentionally damage property.

"Committing a crime is different from demonstrating," Lovell said in a statement. "The arrests we make often come after hours of damage to private property, disruption of public transit and traffic on public streets, thefts from small businesses, arson, burglary, attacks on members of the community, and attacks against police officers."

The city's protests have dominated local news and made international headlines since the police killing of George Floyd, a Black man who died after a white Minneapolis police officer held a knee to his neck for nearly eight minutes. Consecutive nights of unrest last month that increasingly targeted a federal courthouse in Portland prompted President Donald Trump to dispatch U.S. agents to guard the building.

The presence of the agents from U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the U.S. Marshals Service was aimed at quelling the demonstrations but instead reinvigorated the Black Lives Matter movement.

## The Week in Review

### Police Office Targeted

Demonstrators marched to the Portland Police Association on North Lombard Monday night, but aside from one attempt to flood the building with a garden hose, authorities said most people left the area by 12:30 a.m. without any major clashes between the crowd and police. The building has been the target of multiple arson fires and substantial graffiti.

### Man Kicked Unconscious

A man appeared to have been punched and kicked unconscious by demonstrators in downtown Portland Sunday night. Portland Police

received reports of protesters chasing a truck a few blocks from the federal courthouse where Black Lives Matter protesters were gathered.

### Tear Gas Impact Concerns

The Environmental Protection Agency must investigate the impacts of the sustained tear gas used by federal agents in Portland, Oregon's U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley, and U.S. Reps. Earl Blumenauer and Suzanne Bonamici demanded last week, saying exposure to the chemicals threatens people's health and the environment.

### Run DMC Murder Solved

Two men were engaged in cocaine

trafficking when they murdered Run DMC's Jam Master Jay almost 2 decades ago, according to an indictment against the suspects that was unsealed Monday in New York. The pioneering DJ Jason Mizell was shot in the head at point-blank range in 2002 as he sat on a sofa in a Hollis, Queens, recording studio.

### Unemployment Benefits Expire

Unemployed Oregonians were left in limbo after a \$600 federal employment bonus to help people during the coronavirus pandemic expired. More than 200,000 Oregonians had their unemployment benefits cut by at least half at the end of July.

### Driver Signs with Columbia

Bubba Wallace, NASCAR's only Black full-time driver signed a new sponsorship deal last week with Oregon-based Columbia Sportswear. Wallace successfully pushed NASCAR to ban the Confederate flag at its events and has led a conversation among his peers about racial equality.

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### Residential Infill Passes

The Portland City Council approved a landmark housing measure last week to help achieve housing affordability and availability. The Residential Infill project changes zoning to decrease the maximum footprint for a single-dwelling unit while increasing the numbers of homes that can be built throughout Portland's residential areas.

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