We Remember the Marikana Miners

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Below is a list of the miners who were killed by the police at Marikana on 13 and 16 August 2012, compiled by the Socio-Economic Rights Institute of South Africa (SERI) based on presentations made at the Marikana Commission of Inquiry in August 2014.

Sitelega Meric Gadlela (50) was from Dvokolwako in Swaziland. He began working for Lonmin in 1989 and was with the company for 23 years.

Thembinkosi Gwelani (27) was from Makhwaleni, Lusikisiki in the Eastern Cape. On 16 August he was not employed at Lonmin but had gone to the Koppie to take food to his cousin, Musa Gwelani, who was part of the strike.

Patrick Akhona Jijase (26) was from Ntabankulu in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in July 2012, one month before the massacre.

Semi Jokanisi (29) was from Lusikisiki in the Eastern Cape. His father is also a miner working for Lonmin.

John Kutlwano Legingoane (24) had worked at Lonmin for 5 years.

Jackson Lehupa (48) was from Mount Fletcher in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2007.

Janeveke Raphael Liau (47) was from Likolobeng Ha Monyane, Maseru in Lesotho. He started working for Lonmin in 2003.

Mafolisi Mabiya (28) was from Dutywa in the Eastern Cape. He started working for Lonmin in 2007.

Julius Tokoti Mangcotywa (61) was from Sterkspruit in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2008.

Thembelakhe Mati (50) was from Ntabankhulu in the Eastern Cape.

Anele Mdizeni (29) was from Elliotdale in the Eastern Cape. He started working for Lonmin in 2005.

Bongani Mdze (28) was from Jabavu, Matatiele in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2005.

Makhosandile Mkhonjwa (28) was from Mbizana in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2008.

Telang Mohai (37) was from Lithabaneng, Maseru in Lesotho. He had been working for Lonmin since 2003.

Khanare Elias Monesa (36) was from Butha Buthe in Lesotho. He started working in the mines in 1999. After working at two previous mines, he started working at Lonmin.

Thabiso Mosebetsane (49) was from Matatiele in the Eastern Cape. He started working at Lonmin in 2008.

Thobile Mpumza (26) was from Mount Ayliff in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2009. He was dismissed in May 2011 after taking part in an unprotected strike and was supporting the miners in the 2012 strike.

Babalo Mtshazi (26) was from Lebode in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2006.

Michael Ngweyi (39) was from Umtata in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2009.

Ntandazo Nokhamba (36) was from Lebode in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2006.

Mgcineni "Mambush" Noki (30) was from Twalikhulu in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2009 and was a leader of the strike.

Bongani Nqongophele (31) was from Elliotdale in the Eastern Cape. He had been working for Lonmin for a year when he was killed.

Mongezeleli Ntenetya (34) was from Dutywa in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2000 when he was just 22 years old.

Andries Ntsenyeho (42) was from Sasolburg in the Free State. He had worked for Lonmin for a year and was one of the leaders of the strike.

Molefi Osiel Ntsoele (40) was from Ha Tebese, Semonkong, Lesotho. He began working for Lonmin around 2007.

Henry Mvuyisi Pato (35) was from Mbizana in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2011.

Motisaoitsile Van Wyk Sagalala (60) was from Bophirima Setlagole in the Retlong Municipal District of the North West.

Fezile David Saphendu (24) was from Mqanduli in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2009, when he replaced his brother who had found another job at Impala.

Pumzile Sokanyile (48) was from Mdumazulu Location, Ngqeleni in the Eastern Cape. He started working for Lonmin in 2001.

Mzukisi Sompeta (37) was from Lusikisiki in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2006.

Thabiso Johannes Thelejane (55) was from Pabellong, Matatiele in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in October 2011. Because Mr Thelejane was employed by a labour broker, Lonmin refused to acknowledge responsibility for his death and would not provide support for his dependents' education. **Mphangeli Tukuza** (41) was from Ngqeleni in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2000.

Nkosiyabo Xalabile (30) was from Elliotdale in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin around 2004.

Cebisile Yawa (24) was from Cala in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2007.

Bonginkosi Yona (32) was from MaQhashu, Ladyfere in the Eastern Cape. He began working for Lonmin in 2010.

Thobisile Zibambele (39) was from Lusikisiki in the Eastern Cape. He started working for Lonmin in 2009.

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