

# NOTE FOR WAYNE A. JONES

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Wayne was my friend. As most news stories said and still say that Wayne had a knife and an officer was stabbed. But the dashcam footage showed no one was stabbed, even the officer that was "stabbed" said "I was never stabbed." Wayne's death was declared a Homicide. The Martinsburg PD held up his autopsy report for weeks. No one was ever charged.

Wayne volunteered his time at a local free medical clinic. He was the one that would diffuse arguments. Him and I bonded over music. He liked Jazz and R&B, I like Rock. We turned each other onto our favorite artists.

Sadly, we fell out of contact, life took us on different paths. But, he was still my friend. I mourn my friend and any black person who loses their life to police violence.

I still listen to Jazz and think of my friend. I don't want him to be forgotten.