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THE LEXINGTON PLAYERS WHO WILL SING FOR LENA?

In 1944 a black domestic woman in Cuthbert, Georgia killed her long-time white lover/abuser after a night of drinking and arguing. He had kept her imprisoned in his mil for an entire day, then returned to have forced sex with her. She refused, they fought, she killed him. Lena was arrested that day in April.

Her trial was held in August and lasted only four ½ hours. The deliberation of the jury of twelve white men lasted ½ hour on the same day. She was found guilty and was sentenced to die. In March 1945 Lena was transferred to Reidsville Prison, a male prison and where she became the first and only woman to die in Georgia's electric chair.

On August 30,2005, Ms. Lena Baker was finally granted a posthumous pardon by the State of Georgia Pardons and Parole Board in a ceremony attended by the playwright in Atlanta, Georgia.



