

Young and Old Tortured to Death



Wang Lixuan and her son

Wang Lixuan, 27 years old, lived in Xixia City of Shandong Province. She had a son, Meng Hao, who was under eight months old.

Since July 20, 1999, she had gone eight times, while pregnant, to Beijing to appeal for Falun Gong; she had benefited from Falun Gong and felt it was important to tell the government the truth in person. She was arrested and subjected to vicious beatings and mistreatment. The last time she was arrested was in September 2000.

She was later unlawfully transferred to Beijing Tuanhe Labor Re-education Camp. Her family didn't receive any notification regarding her re-education. In October, her family suddenly received a death notification about both Wang Lixuan and her son, issued by the Tuanhe Labor Camp.

When her family arrived in Beijing, they found the frozen corpses of Lixuan and her son. According to the coroner's exam, her neck and knucklebones were broken, her skull was sunken, and there was a needle stuck in her waist. There were two deep bruises on her son's ankles. There were also two black-and-blue spots on his head and blood in his nose. It was deduced that the bruises may have been caused when the 8-month-old baby was hung upside down by the ankles.

Liu Yufeng, 64 years old, was a retired factory worker in Wendeng City of Shandong Province.

On July 18, 2000, Liu was arrested and sent to the Wendeng Detention Center because he took part in the Falun Gong group practice at Huilong Mountain.

On July 22, the Wendeng Detention Center called his daughter and told her to take Liu home. When Liu was carried out by his son-in-law, he could neither move nor speak. He was in a coma. Around 10:00 a.m. of July 22, Liu was taken home; at 7:00 a.m. on July 23, he died.

Autopsy by legal medical experts showed that extravagated blood was discovered in his right eye-rim. There were cuts and bruises on his face, and black-and-blue marks left by electric shocks on his throat, chest, and legs. It was discovered that the second, third, and fourth ribs on both sides of the body were fractured. The upper third of the sternum was broken. His whole body was covered with bruises and injuries. This elderly gentleman clearly died from torture.

