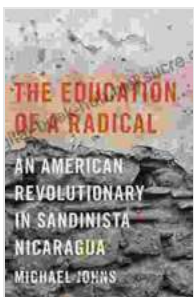


An American Revolutionary In Sandinista Nicaragua: Benjamin Linder's Life and Legacy

Benjamin Linder was a young American revolutionary who dedicated his life to the Sandinista cause in Nicaragua. He worked with poor communities, providing technical assistance and training, and was killed by the Contras in 1987. Linder's life and legacy are an inspiration to those who fight for justice and equality.

Early Life and Education

Benjamin Linder was born in Saint Paul, Minnesota, in 1959. His parents were both teachers, and they instilled in him a strong sense of social justice. Linder was a bright and curious child, and he excelled in school. He became interested in politics at an early age, and he was particularly drawn to the struggles of the poor and oppressed.



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After graduating from high school, Linder attended the University of Minnesota. He studied electrical engineering and became involved in the anti-war movement. He also worked with the Twin Cities Committee for a Free Nicaragua, a group that supported the Sandinista revolution.

Nicaragua and the Sandinista Revolution

In 1979, the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN) overthrew the dictatorial regime of Anastasio Somoza Debayle. The Sandinistas were a broad coalition of political groups, including Marxists, socialists, and social democrats. They were united by their commitment to social justice and economic equality.

Linder was inspired by the Sandinista revolution. He saw it as an opportunity to help build a more just and equitable society. In 1983, he traveled to Nicaragua to work with the Sandinista government.

Working with the Sandinistas

Linder worked in Nicaragua for four years. He lived in a small village in the northern part of the country. He worked with the local community to build a hydroelectric plant, which provided electricity to the village for the first time. He also taught English and math at the local school.

Linder's work was not without its dangers. The Contras, a U.S.-backed rebel group, were fighting against the Sandinistas. The Contras were responsible for numerous human rights abuses, including torture, rape, and murder.

Death and Legacy

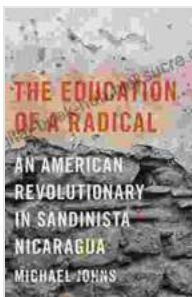
On April 28, 1987, Linder was killed by the Contras. He was driving a tractor with a group of villagers when they were ambushed. Linder was shot in the head and died instantly. He was 27 years old.

Linder's death was a tragedy. He was a young man who had dedicated his life to helping others. He was a true revolutionary, and his life and legacy continue to inspire those who fight for justice and equality.

Benjamin Linder was a remarkable young man who gave his life for a just cause. His life and legacy are an inspiration to us all. He showed us that one person can make a difference, and that even in the darkest of times, we must never give up hope.

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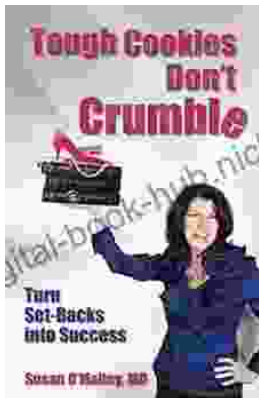


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