



FANNIE LOU HAMER: ACTIVIST



*Mississippi
Human
Rights
Activist who
fought for
our Right to
Vote*

On Oct. 6, 1917, Fannie Lou Hamer (nee Townsend) was born, the youngest of 20 children to sharecropper parents

1961 - At a Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) meeting she learned she could vote. "They talked about how it was our rights as human beings to register to vote. I never knew we could vote before."

1962 - Ms. Hamer led 17 neighbors to the Indianola, MS, courthouse to register to vote. They were unsuccessful due to a rigged literacy test and her employer fired her for trying to register to vote.

1969 - Ms. Hamer launched the Freedom Farm Cooperative (FFC), buying up land that blacks could own and farm collectively.

March 14, 1977 - Ms. Hamer died at age 59 after a battle with breast cancer and injuries sustained as an organizer registering Mississippians to Vote.

(MORE INFORMATION ON BACK)

And I've been tired so long,
me. And I've been tired so long,
now I am sick and tired

change in this society
of being sick and tired,
n to sing, "Oh say can you
what so proudly we hail
and we want a change.



Be incon- venient

Fannie Lou Hamer, 1964

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ARE YOU SICK AND TIRED, TOO? VOTE IN NOVEMBER!

Honor the Memory of Fannie Lou Hamer:

- Register to Vote - Last day to register to vote is Oct. 5th.
- Encourage family and neighbors to register to vote.
- Go to the Poll on Nov. 3rd and VOTE!

