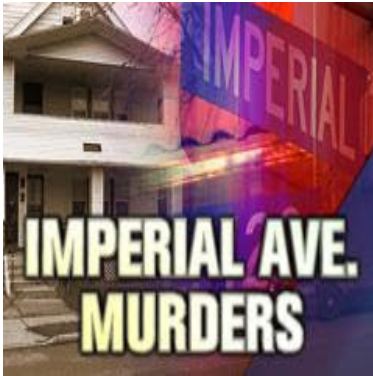


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**CLEVELAND URBAN NEWS.COM-CLEVELAND, Ohio-** Local community activist groups and Black elected officials , led by the Imperial Women Coalition, Women's March Ohio, and Black on Black Crime Inc, will host the 8 -Year Anniversary of the Imperial Avenue Murders of 11 Black women rally and vigil on Sunday, Oct. 29 from 3:00 pm-4:30 pm at 12205 Imperial Avenue in Cleveland in front of the since demolished home of serial killer and death row inmate Anthony Sowell. [CLICK HERE TO GO TO THE FACEBOOK PAGE FOR THE 8-YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF THE IMPERIAL AVENUE MURDERS RALLY AND VIGIL](#)

The day marks the 8th year since 2009 when law enforcement authorities began pulling the first of what would ultimately become 11 dead bodies from the home on the city's largely Black east side in the city's Mount Pleasant neighborhood. **(For directions to the rally/vigil take Kinsman Rd from downtown Cleveland to East 123rd Street. Turn left, and go three blocks to Imperial Avenue).**

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Black and other elected officials are slated to speak, including state Rep Bill Patmon along with Cleveland City Council candidates Eugene Miller, Gail Sparks and Joe Jones, both Jones and Miller of whom are former city councilmen community activists. Pther speakers include Imperial Avenue Murders family members, Black clergy, and some family members of Black women murdered elsewhere in Cleveland such as Angelique Malone, whose mother, Christine Malone, is a victim of the Cleveland East 93rd Street still at large serial murderer.

Malone left behind eight adult children.

**Contact persons are community activists Kathy Wray Coleman of the Imperial Women Coalition at (216) 659-0473 and Al Porter of Black on Black Crime Inc. and the Black Man's Army at (216) 804-7462.**

**Please bring protest signs against violence against women, organizers said.**

**Other participating activist groups include Black Women's PAC, Indivisible Cleveland, Refuse Fascism.Org, peace in the Hood, Carl Stokes Brigade, the People's Forum, Women's March Cleveland, International Women's Day March Cleveland, Organize Ohio, Northeast Ohio Poor People's Economic Human Rights Campaign, Stop Targeting Ohio's Poor, Greater Cleveland Immigrant Support Network, BEMAD, Bad Ass Teachers (BAD), Cleveland African-American Museum, Fairfax Business Association, Rebuilding Our Village, and Protecting Our Children's Safety Before and After School, [Clevelandurbannews.com](http://Clevelandurbannews.com) and [Kath](#)**

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Activist speakers include the Reverends Gwendolyn Piits and Pamela Pinkney Butts, Kenyona Sunny Matthews of Women's March Ohio and Indivisible Cleveland, Kathy Wray Coleman of Imperial Women Coalition, Women's March Cleveland and International Women's Day March Cleveland, Khalid Samad of Peace in the Hood, Art McKoy and Alfred Porter Jr. of Black on Black Crime Inc. and the Black Man's Army, Princess Moore of Rebuilding Our Village and Protecting Our Children's Safety, Valerie and Dr Stewart Robinson of Stop Targeting Ohio's Poor, Don Bryant of the People's Forum and the Greater Cleveland Immigrant Support Network, Melissa Marini Svigelj-Smith of BAS (Bad Ass Teachers), Dick Peery, Arnold Shurn of the Cleveland Peacemakers, Genevieve Mitchell of the Carl Stokes Brigade Elaine Gohlstin of the Black Women's PAC, Donna Walker Brown of the Inner City Republican Movement, and Patricia Brown, a 2018 candidate for the Ohio 10th House District.

**Sowell, 58, was convicted in 2011 by a Cuyahoga County jury on 82 of 83 counts, including 11 counts of aggravated murder of the 11 Black women that he strangled to death at his home, and three counts of rape as to the rape of three other Black women, also at his home.**

**Cuyahoga County Court of Common Pleas Judge Dick Ambrose, the trial court judge in the case and a former Cleveland Browns football player, handed the serial killer a death sentence per the recommendation of the 12-member jury, the same jury that issued convictions weeks earlier.**

A former U.S. marine, he served 15 years in prison for attempted rape prior to the Imperial Avenue Murders.

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**"We call for a moratorium against violence against women and girls, Black women and girls in particular, at the local, county, state, national and international levels,"** said Cleveland activist Kathy Wray Coleman, a founding member of the Imperial Women Coalition, the women's rights group derived from the unprecedented tragedy

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Coleman has led every anniversary rally since 2009, except for one, and says activists, led by Black women, "will continue to hold anniversary rallies until Sowell is brought to justice and the families of his victims are made whole."

Another issue of public concern relative to the rally, say activists, is the still at large purported serial killer that killed four women between early March and the middle of May in 2013, three Black and one White, along a strip at E. 93rd Street in Cleveland, also on the city's east side, and convicted East Cleveland serial killer Michael Madison, who killed three Black women in 2013 and wrapped their remains in Black trash bags.

East Cleveland is a largely Black impoverished suburb of Cleveland.

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