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Subject: "life in prizon"

Posted by [jnz](#) on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 20:46:04 GMT

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [warranto](#) on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 20:56:16 GMT

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From Wikipaida

Quote:In England and Wales, a life sentence is a prison term of indeterminate length and, unlike much of Europe, can "mean life" in certain circumstances. Formerly, the Home Secretary reserved the right to set the "tariff", or minimum length of term, for prisoners sentenced to life imprisonment, but since the Criminal Justice Act 2003 only a judge may set the tariff. The Act specifies three broad categories of murder with three "starting point" sentences. A "Whole Life Tariff" (known in the US as "life without parole") exists for multiple murders which involve sexual abuse of children or terrorism, as well as any murderer who had come out of prison and killed again. If such a sentence is handed down, then a prisoner is unlikely ever to be released from prison. A starting point of 30 years exists for people convicted of single murders involving sexual or sadistic conduct, killing using an illegal weapon, during the course of a robbery or the killing of a Police Officer. For other murders the minimum starting point is a life sentence with a minimum of 15 years. The average sentence is about 15 years before the first parole hearing, although those convicted for heinous offences serve their sentences significantly longer - Ian Huntley was given a tariff of 40 years. Some receive "whole life tariffs" and die in prison, such as Myra Hindley and Harold Shipman; there are currently around 25 people serving whole life tariffs in the UK. Reggie Kray was serving a whole life sentence but was released on compassionate grounds in August 2000, as he was 67 years old, suffering from terminal cancer and had spent over 30 years behind bars. He died just five weeks after being paroled. Prisoners jailed for life are released on a life licence if the parole board authorises their release. The prisoner must satisfy the parole board that they are remorseful, understand the gravity of their crime and pose no future threat to the public.

Unfortunately, I don't have the time to explain what it may mean at the moment.

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [JoeyB](#) on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 20:58:21 GMT

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Do you mean "prison"?

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"  
Posted by [jnz](#) on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 22:45:14 GMT  
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so it basicly means life means 30 years but if you have done somthing really bad it could be untill you die.

but then why call it life? if it is just 30 years?

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"  
Posted by [Scythar](#) on Mon, 21 Aug 2006 23:02:06 GMT  
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In the end that's probably because it's a tradition, things were different in the past, and "life in jail" meant exactly that.

We have a similiar thing here in Finland too, a lifetime usually means some 10-15 years, after which the president usually uses his/her power to "absolve" the convict.

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Tue, 22 Aug 2006 00:39:30 GMT  
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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"  
Posted by [MexPirate](#) on Tue, 22 Aug 2006 00:57:56 GMT  
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my understanding is that a life sentance means that you are in jail for life, however if after a set period (depending on the severity of your crime) you can demonstrate that you are a changed person and no longer pose a threat to society you may be granted parole, this could be after your first parole hearing or when you are 80. I think most people facing the rest of their life in prison would make the necessary changes to do whatever they can to get out.

It is life, but with the possibility of early release for good behaviour (under most circumstances).

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"  
Posted by [jnz](#) on Tue, 22 Aug 2006 01:00:23 GMT

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [IronWarrior](#) on Tue, 22 Aug 2006 01:28:20 GMT

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Huntley was a sick bastard who killed two girls with his wifes help.

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [jnz](#) on Tue, 22 Aug 2006 02:22:34 GMT

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omg, their are a few poeple out there that would do such things, i don't know if you have already heard about it but there is this guy in england called harold shipman who killed alot of poeple. i think over 100 by posing as a doctor and injecting "old" folk with poison.

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [FynexFox](#) on Sun, 03 Sep 2006 14:49:28 GMT

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yeah help-linux, I saw a special on TV about that sick bastard. I think it's called life for this: Back in the day generally(I guess) older people would be going to jail, and life - being 30 years lets say would proly kill you seeing as they didnt live as long. A 45 year old man goes to jail for life(30 years). Hes 75 when he gets out - proly dead. So it proly just caught the name life casue most people died before their setence was up or before they could get parole.

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Posted by [thrash300](#) on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 01:27:52 GMT

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Posted by [jnz](#) on Wed, 20 Sep 2006 17:19:32 GMT

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Posted by [puddle\\_splasher](#) on Fri, 22 Sep 2006 10:06:20 GMT

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[PAPirate wrote on Mon, 21 August 2006 19:57]

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\*cough\* and what about the 2 kids that killed Jamie Bulger aged 2. They smashed his head in with bricks and left him to die on the railway.

Those 2 were aged around 10 years old. Thats 2 more that wont make it onto the streets of Britain.

Perhaps in "The Olden Days" people would only be expected to last around 15 years in prison before they died. Thereafter the British Penal System maintained this figure.

Alternatively, it may be contributed to the fact that you are now living your "life in prison" as opposed to at liberty.

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [DyingCell](#) on Tue, 26 Sep 2006 03:27:11 GMT

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Life in prison...well when you get sent down you get put with the other lifers (duh) this usually contains rapist, murders etc etc. Which means your "fresh meat". This will involve rape, beatings, possible (most likely) death. Example: Soldier went awol..got into some religous cult..got caught doing some stuff at a army base (robbing weapons etc). He got sent to prison for 5 years (i know were talking about life but this is example). He died the first night, estimated anal rape 50 times (can you say ouchies?) Over a pint of seaman found in his stomach. This would be a guy that would have extensive military training, hand to hand combat. He would know how to handle himself. He would probably be in peak fitness. Think about going into something like that without any combat experience, training. One Very Nasty Time.

Ok so take that into account..think about that but with people that will probably never see daylight, a woman etc...This equals a very nasty combination...So life in prison is basically a death sentence. If you get out after that...well you be a complete wreck..Your life = over (especially after those rapings). You would'nt be able to go out in public without looking over your back..

Sorry if this dosent make sense...Wee bit stoned (just a wee bit). I hope you get my point..

Now back to my spliff...Where I put it?

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [puddle\\_splasher](#) on Thu, 28 Sep 2006 15:36:22 GMT

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You miss the point

The question was "Why is it called Life In Prison?"

Interesting thoughts though, as regards what happens in Prison.

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [DyingCell](#) on Sat, 30 Sep 2006 02:48:16 GMT

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I don't think I did miss the point...Life in Prison. Your life = over. Simple...

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Subject: Re: "life in prizon"

Posted by [cheesesoda](#) on Sat, 30 Sep 2006 02:56:47 GMT

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Posted by [puddle\\_splasher](#) on Sat, 30 Sep 2006 18:10:23 GMT

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[quote title=j\_ball430 wrote on Fri, 29 September 2006 22:56They were released in 2001...[/quote]

And dont I know it. From Kerelaw, Young Offenders Institution, Stevenston, North Ayrshire, Scotland.

Its on my Fire Station ground and is now due for demolition in the next few days.

Life should mean life, especially for people like "The Yorkshire Ripper" + "Bradey +Hindley"

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