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ScoopUSA Black History Corner

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Pisces - The Dreamer



Generous, kind and thoughtful. Very creative and imaginative. May become secretive and vague. Sensitive. Don't like details. Dreamy and unrealistic. Sympathetic and loving. Kind. Unselfish. Good Kisser. Beautiful.

Aquamarine is the stone for the month of March

In legends, aquamarine has its origin in the treasure chests of the mermaid. It is though to bring good luck and fortune to sailors. It is believed that if a person dreams of aquamarine he or she will meet new friends. According to ancient traditions aquamarine will guarantee a long and happy marriage. A symbol of youth and happiness, aquamarine derives its name from the Latin "aqua" and "mare," meaning water and sea. Allegedly its powers one increased if the stone is soaked in water. 'Aquamarine is reported to increase one's psychic ability and enhance concentration; thus it is suggested that students carry the stone while studying. Roman physicians prescribed aquamarine to treat overindulgence, headaches, neck problems and water retention. In some cultures, aquamarine is believed to be the stone of a spirit who must grant the wish of any person wearing it.

March 22

You have a very friendly disposition and are liked by everyone. You are happy and fond of pleasure but when working you concentrate all your efforts and turn out a job well done. You are sincere and generous in you love.

1842 Primus Hall, (son of Prince Hall) educator is born in Boston, MA.

1887 E.W. Stewart is awarded patent 373,698 for a machine for forming vehicle seat bars.

1898 J.W. Smith is awarded patent 601,065 for a

1921 George Daniel Crowe, Negro League Baseball player is born in Whiteland, IN.

1930 Willie Lee Thrower, first African American to appear at the quarterback position in the National Football League player (Chicago Bears) is born in New

1932 (Weldon H. Philip) Juke Boy Bonner, blues singer and harmonica player (Going Back to the Country) is born in Bellville, TX.

1940 George Edward Alcorn, Jr., physicist who invented a method of fabricating an imaging X-ray spectrometer is born in Miami, FL.

1941 (Joseph) J. Paul Reason, first African American officer in the US Navy to become a four-star admiral is born in Washington, DC.

1943 George Benson, guitarist and singer is born in Pittsburgh, PA.

1943 Houston Alfred Baker, educator specializing in African American literature is born in Louisville, KY.

1946 (Gerald Stenhouse) Jerry Jemmott, bass guitarist (New York View) is born in New York, NY.

1951 Barney Lewis Chavous, National Football League player is born in Aiken, SC.

1957 Stephanie Dorthea Mills, singer and actor (stage production, The Wiz) is born in Brooklyn, NY. 1965 Glenallen Hill, Major League Baseball player

is born in Santa Cruz, CA. 1968 Odell Barnes, Jr. convicted murder is born in

Wichita County, TX.

1972 Houston Alexander, professional mixed martial artist is born in East St. Louis, IL.

1974 Kidada Ann Jones, actor and fashion designer (for Walt Disney Company) is born in Los Angeles, 1975 Kelvin Underwood, musician specializing in

the drum set and taiko (Japanese drumming) is born in Fayetteville, NC.

1976 Jazsmin Lewis, actor (Traci Townsend) is born in Cleveland, OH.

1976 Kellie Shanygne Williams (Jackson), actor (Family Matters) is born in Washington, DC.

1978 Cainon Renard Lamb, record producer (Free Yourself) is born in Miami, FL.

1986 Dexter Fowler, Major League Baseball player is born in Atlanta, GA.

1988 (Christopher Lee) Chris Ivory, National Football League player is born in Longview, TX.

1993 Franklin Delano Williams, music director of The Mississippi Mass Choir singer dies in Savannah,

1994 Joshua Rogers, first male and youngest winner of BET's Sunday Best (gospel music) is born in Greeleyville, SC.



Stephanie Mills

2001 Earl Beal singer The Silhouettes (Get A Job) dies.

March 23

A good executive and meticulous about detail. You are a born leader in business and in your social life. You are considerate of others and friendly. You will have a happy married life and with many children.

1928 Channing E. Phillips, first African American placed in nomination for President of the US by a major political party is born in Brooklyn, NY.

1931 Ernest A. Finney, Jr. South Carolina Supreme Court Justice is born in Smithfield, VA.

1932 (Iverson Minter) Louisiana Red, blues guitarist, harmonica player and singer is born in Bessemer, AL.

1938 Maynard Jackson first African American mayor of Atlanta, GA is born in Dallas, TX.

1940 John Wesley Blassingame, educator, author (The Slave Community: Plantation Life in the Antebellum South) is born in Covington, GA.

1941 Hope Clarke, actor and principal dancer with Katherine Dunham Company and Alvin Alley American Dance Theater is born in Washington, DC.

1942 Walter Anthony Rodney, historian who was assassinated in Guyana is born in British Guiana.

1943 Lee Andrew May, Major League Baseball player is born in Birmingham, AL.

1944 George Charles Scott, Jr., Major League Baseball player is born in Greenville, MS.

1947 Gerry Alexander actor (One Life to Live) is

1948 Sundray Tucker aka Cindy Scott, singer (I Love You Baby) is born in Philadelphia, PA.

1951 Patrice Yvonne Holloway, singer (Josie and the Pussycats) is born in Los Angeles, CA. 1953 (Yvette Marie Stevens) Chaka Khan, singer is

born in Great Lakes, IL. 1955 Moses Malone, National Basketball Associa-

tion player is born in Petersburg, VA. 1963 Michael Kevin Powell, chairman of the Fed-

eral Communication Commission (son of Colin Powell) is born in Birmingham, AL.

1966 (Fred Thomas) Pop Long, Negro Baseball League player dies in Texas.

1972 Jack Chase, professional middleweight boxer

1973 Stefon Harris, jazz vibraphonist is born

1973 Jason Kidd, National Basketball Association player is born in San Francisco, CA. **1974** (James) Jimmy Winkfield, last African Amer-

ican to ride a winner in the Kentucky Derby dies in Maisons-Laffitte, France. 1976 Jayson Blain, journalist with The New York

Times who resigned in the wake of the discovery of plagiarism is born in Columbia, MD.

1977 Julius W. Hobson, People's Party Vice Presidential candidate in 1972 dies in Washington, DC.

1978 Bill Kenny, singer with The Ink Spots (If I Did-

n't Care) dies. 1979 Bryan Jamaile Fletcher, National Football

League player is born in St. Louis, MO. 1982 Sonny Greer, jazz drummer and vocalist

(worked with Duke Ellington) dies. 1982 (Carloe Coleman) Los, rap artist (The Crown

Ain't Safe) is born in Baltimore, MD. **1984** Brandon Marshall, National Football League player is born in Pittsburgh, PA.

1985 Patricia Roberts Harris, first African American woman ambassador and Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare dies in Washington, DC.

1987 Earl Bryan Bennett, National Football League player is born in Birmingham, AL.

1989 (Michael Len Williams, II) Mike Will Made It, rap artist (Mercy) is born in Atlanta, GA.

2007 Walter Turnbull, founder of the Boys Choir of Harlem dies in New York, NY.

March 24

For those you love, you will exert all your energies towards making those you love happy. You are very affectionate, intuitive, somewhat psychic and never enthusiastic.

1907 (Janet Nettie Harmon) Janet Harmon Waterford Bragg, first African American woman to hold a Commercial Pilot License is born in Griffin, GA. 1912 Dorothy Irene Height, president of the National

Council of Negro Women is born in Richmond, VA. **1918** Richard Burton Fitzgerald. Brickmaker is born

in New Castle County, DE. 1922 (Clarence Beeks) King Pleasure, vocalese

(Moody's Mood for Love) is born in Oakdale, TN. 1936 Kalaparusha Maurice McIntyre, jazz tenor saxophonist is born in Clarksville, AR.

1937 Billy Stewart, singer (I Do Love You) is born in Washington, DC.

1946 A. Bruce Crawley, founder of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Philadelphia is born in Philadelphia, PA.

1947 Kalamu ya Salaam, poet, author and cofounder of the NOMMO, Literary Society, a weekly workshop for Black writers is born in New Orleans,

1951 Gregory Johnson, singer and pianist with Cameo is born.

1955 Woodrow Bennett, Jr., National Football League player is born in York, PA.

1956 Garry Lewis Templeton, Major League Baseball player is born in Lockney, TX.

1961 Albert Eugene Chambers, Major League Baseball player is born in Harrisburg, PA.

1962 Star Jones, lawyer and TV personality is born

1966 J(ulianna) Michelle Childs, judge on the US District Court for the District of South Carolina is born in Detroit, MI.

1970 (Vincent Lamont Mason, Jr.) Maseo, rap artist with De La Soul is born in Brooklyn, NY.

1972 Zephaniah Alexander Looby, the first African American to serve on the Nashville, Tennessee City Council, dies in Nashville, TN.

1975 Stanley Jackson, Canadian Football and Continental Indoor Football League player is born in Paterson, NJ

1976 Aaron Lafette Brooks, National Football League player is born in Newport News, VA. **1976** Taj Matthews, journalist and author (Grandpa

was a Preacher) is born in San Antonio, TX. 1979 Norris Stephen Hopper, Major League Base-

ball player is born in Shelby, NC. 1981 Mike Adams, National Football League player

is born in Paterson, NJ. 1981 (Joseph Jacob) Jake Simmons, Jr., first African American on the board of the National Petroleum

Council dies in Tulsa, OK. 1982 Nivea B. Nash (Hamilton), singer (Don't Mess

With My Man) is born in Savannah, GA. 1984 (Christopher Wesson) Chris Bosh, National

Basketball Association player is born in Dallas, TX. **1989** Arnett Cleophus Cobb, jazz tenor saxophonist

and songwriter (Smooth Sailing) dies in Houston, TX. 1989 Edward Paulette Hurt, head football and bas-

ketball coach at Morgan State College dies in in Baltimore, MD. 1991 Demontre Hurst, National Football League

player is born in Lancaster, TX. 1994 (Thomas) Tommy Benford, jazz drummer dies

in Mt. Vernon, NY 1997 Harold Melvin, singer (Harold Melvin & the

Blue Notes) dies. **2000** Al Grey, jazz grombonist with Count Basie orchestra dies.

2006 Clifton DeBerry, first African American in the 20th Century to be chosen by a political party as its nominee for president dies in Union City, CA.

2009 Uriel Jones, recording session drummer for Motown dies in Dearborn, MI.

Birthday: Carl Hancock Rux, poet (Pagan Operetta) and playwright (Song of Sad Young Men) is born in Harlem, NY.

Know your History and Culture. If you do not know where you come from, you cannot and will not know where you can go.