

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 thought 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 are 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 15

Modest and unassuming you nevertheless have a strong personality that enables you to take a leading part in all you do. You have the entire confidence of your friends and associates and your love is wholehearted and sincere.

1905 Bertha 'Chippie' Hill, blues singer is born in Charleston, SC.

1910 Nick Stewart, actor (Amos and Andy) is born in New York, NY.

1912 (Sam John) Lightnin' Hopkins, blues guitarist is born in Centerville, TX.

1915 Richard Ward, actor (Black Like Me) is born in Glenside, PA.

1918 José Silvestre White Lafitte, violinist and composer (La Bella Cubana) dies in Paris France.

1929 (Clarence) Pinetop Smith, boogie-woogie and blues pianist dies in Chicago, IL.

1937 Ward Pinkett, jazz trumpeter dies in New York, NY.

1938 Charles Lloyd, jazz saxophonist is born in Memphis, TN.

1940 (Alvertis Isbell) Al Bell, record producer and executive and co-owner of Stax Records is born in Brinkley, AR.

1943 (Sylvester Steward) Sly Stone, singer, keyboardist and guitarist is born in Denton, TX.

1945 Herman Perry, World War II soldier, convicted murderer and fugitive from the army in India and Burma dies is hung in India.

1946 Howard E. Scott, singer and guitar player with War is born in San Pedro, CA.

1946 Bobby Lee Bonds Major League Baseball player is born in Riverside, CA.

1947 (Sarah Jean Perkins) Jean Carne, singer (Infant Eyes) is born in Atlanta, GA.

1948 Melvin L. Stukes, member of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Legislative Black Caucus in Maryland is born in Baltimore, MD.

1948 Nia H. Gill, New Jersey State Senator is born in Glen Ridge, NJ.

1948 (Martin G.) Marty Barnes, first African American mayor of Patterson, New Jersey is born in Patterson, NJ.

1953 Loaird Arthur McCreary, National Football League player is born in Crawfordville, GA.

1955 (Etterlene) Bunny DeBarge, singer with the family group DeBarge is born in Detroit, MI.

1956 John Mr. Magic Rivas, Hip-Hop radio DJ is born in The Bronx, NY.

1959 Harold Douglas Baines, Major League Baseball player is born in St. Michael, MD.

1959 (Lester Willis) Prez Young, saxophonist dies in New York, NY.

1961 (Robert Terrell) Terry Cummings, National Basketball Association player is born in Chicago, IL.

1962 (Sananda Francesco Maitreya) Terence Trent D'Arby singer and songwriter (Wishing Well) is born in New York, NY.

1964 (Kenneth Gordy) Rockwell, singer (Somebody's Watching Me) is born in Detroit, MI.

1965 Michael Watson, MBE, professional boxer is born in Hackney, London England.

1968 (Kimothy Emil) Kim Batiste, Major League Baseball player is born in New Orleans, LA.



Louise Beavers

1969 Sean James, National Football League player is born in Meridian, MS.

1970 (Christopher L.) Chris Smith, member of the Florida Senate is born in Fort Lauderdale, FL.

1972 (Michael) Mike Tomlin, National Football League coach is born in Hampton, VA.

1975 (William James Adams, Jr.) Will I Am, singer with the Black Eye Peas is born in Inglewood, CA.

1978 Rufus French, National Football League player is born.

1980 Freddie Lee Bynum, Jr., Major League Baseball player is born in Wilson, NC.

1981 (David Darnell Brown) Young Buck, rap artist with G-Unit is born in Nashville, TN.

1987 Taiwan Le Roi Brown De Jean, MTV U video jockey and television personality is born in Brooklyn, NY.

1987 Svante Myrick, mayor of Ithaca, New York is born in Earlville, NY.

1990 Keshawn Charles Martin, National Football League player is born in Inkster, MI.

1994 Ginger Howard, youngest African American in the world professional golfer to turn and win her debut tournament is born.

1994 Lucius D. Amerson, sheriff and author (Great Courage: The First Black Sheriff Elected in the South Since Reconstruction) dies in Tuskegee, AL.

2006 (Tom Andrew) Tommie Hughes, convicted murder dies in Texas.

2011 (Nathaniel Dwayne Hale) Nate Dogg, rap artist (Music and Me) dies in Long Beach, CA.

2013 (Robert) Bobby Smith, lead singer (The Spinners (That's What Girls are Made For) dies in Orlando, FL.

March 16

Your serious nature is known by only your most intimate friends because you cover it with a blithe and happy-go-lucky disposition. Any unhappiness is kept to yourself and you are kind without the knowledge of others. You can command a great love and will be very happy.

1956 Ozzie Newson, Jr, National Football League player is born in Muscle Shoals, AL.

1956 Clifton Powell, comedian and actor (Next Friday) is born in Washington, DC.

1957 Garry Wilbert Cobb, National Football League player and radio personality is born in Carthage, NC.

1958 Rod Graves, Senior Director of Football Administration (New York Jets) and General Manager (Arizona Cardinals) is born in Houston, TX.

1959 Charles Lynn Hudson, Major League Baseball player is born in Ennis, TX.

1959 (William Jonathan Drayton, Jr.) Flavor Flav, rap artist with Public Enemy is born on Roosevelt Island, NY.

1960 (Abriea) Abbie Mitchell, soprano opera singer dies in New York, NY.

1961 David Ervin, jazz funk keyboard player is born in Englewood, NJ.

1975 (Aaron Thibadeaux) T-Bone Walker, singer, guitarist (Call It Stormy Monday) dies in Los Angeles, CA.

1976 Arthur Neal Gunter, blues guitarist (Baby Let's Play House) dies in Port Huron, MI.

1976 (Tiffany Cobb) Blu Cantrell, singer (So Blu) is born in Providence, RI.

1978 Khori Ivy, Arena Football League player is born in Boca Raton, FL.

1978 (Nick Carter) Murs, rap artist (The Ghetto is Tryna Kill Me) is born in Los Angeles, CA.

1979 (Thomasina Winifred Montgomery) Tammi Terrell, singer dies in Philadelphia, PA.

1981 (Daniel Dewan Sewell) Danny Brown, rap artist (XXX) is born in Detroit, MI.

1981 Curtis Grandson, Jr., Major League Baseball player is born in Blue Island, IL.

1988 John Simmons, conductor and musical arranger (for Whitney Huston and Stephanie Mills) dies.

1988 Jhené Aiko Efurú Chilombo, songwriter and singer (3:16 AM) is born in Los Angeles, CA.

1992 (Timothy Duane) Tim Hardaway, Jr., National Basketball Association player is born in Miami, FL.

1996 Joseph Pope, singer with The Tams (What Kind of Fool Do You Think I Am) dies.

1997 Tyrel Jackson Williams, actor (Lab Rats) is born in Westchester County, NY.

2008 Ivan Dixon, actor (Hogan's Heroes) dies in Charlotte, NC.

2011 Thomas Jerome Dunbar, Major League Baseball player dies in Aiken, SC.

March 17

You are retiring, thoughtful, rather philosophical and have definite opinions. You do not invite the advances of others and when you receive them are indifferent. Those who are fortunate enough to gain your confidence are true and loyal friends.

1942 Sidney John Barthelemy, mayor of New Orleans, Louisiana is born in New Orleans, LA.

1943 Don Michael Mitchell, actor (Ironside) is born in Houston, TX.

1944 (Clarence) Cito Gaston, Major League Baseball player and first African American manager in the major leagues is born in San Antonio, TX.

1946 Carl Augustus Hansberry, real estate broker, inventor and father of Lorraine Hansberry dies in Mexico.

1946 Harold Ray Brown, drummer and founding member of the group War is born in Long Beach, CA.

1947 Toni Reed Preckwinkle, Cook County Board President is born in St. Paul, MN.

1948 Larry Paul Langford, mayor of Birmingham, Alabama is born in Birmingham, AL.

1948 George Augustus Stallings, Jr., former priest and founder of Imani Temple African American Catholic Congregation is born in Bern, NC.

1955 Cynthia Ann McKinney, first African American US Representative from GA is born in Atlanta, GA.

1962 Timothy Wilson Spencer (Southside Strangler), serial killer (first murderer in the US to be convicted on the basis of DNA) is born in Virginia.

1963 (Elizabeth Mary Landreaux) Lizzie Miles blues singer dies in New Orleans, LA.

1970 Stephanie Rawlings-Blake, mayor of Baltimore, Maryland is born in Baltimore, MD.

1972 Sean Price, rap artist (Monkey Barz) is born in Brooklyn, NY.

1975 Ebro Darden, media executive and radio program director is born.

1977 Tamar Braxton-Herbert, singer and reality television personality (youngest sister of Toni Braxton) is born in Severn, MD.

1987 Ryan Francis, college basketball player who is shot to death is born in Baton Rouge, LA.

1987 Derek Joslin, National Hockey League player is born in Richmond Hill, Ontario Canada.

1994 Amber Nicole Holcomb, singer (American Idol – 12 Season) is born in Houston, TX.

1995 (Albert Luandrew) Sunnyland Slim, blues pianist (Slim's Got His Thing Goin' On) dies in Chicago, IL.

1995 Rick Aviles, actor (Ghost) dies in Los Angeles, CA.

1995 Claressa Shields, first American woman to win a boxing gold medal at the Olympic games is born in Flint, MI.

1996 Perry Watkins, one of the first service members to challenge the ban against homosexuals in the US military and the only person ordered reinstated to active military duty dies in Tacoma, WA.

2002 Rosetta LaNoire, actor (Family Matters) dies in Englewood, NJ.

2004 (John J.) J.J. Jackson, Jr. one of MTV's five original VJ dies in Los Angeles, CA.

2005 Prentice Gautt, National Football League player dis in Lawrence KS.

2007 Homer E. Harris, Jr., first African American captain of a Big Ten Conference team dies in Seattle, WA.

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