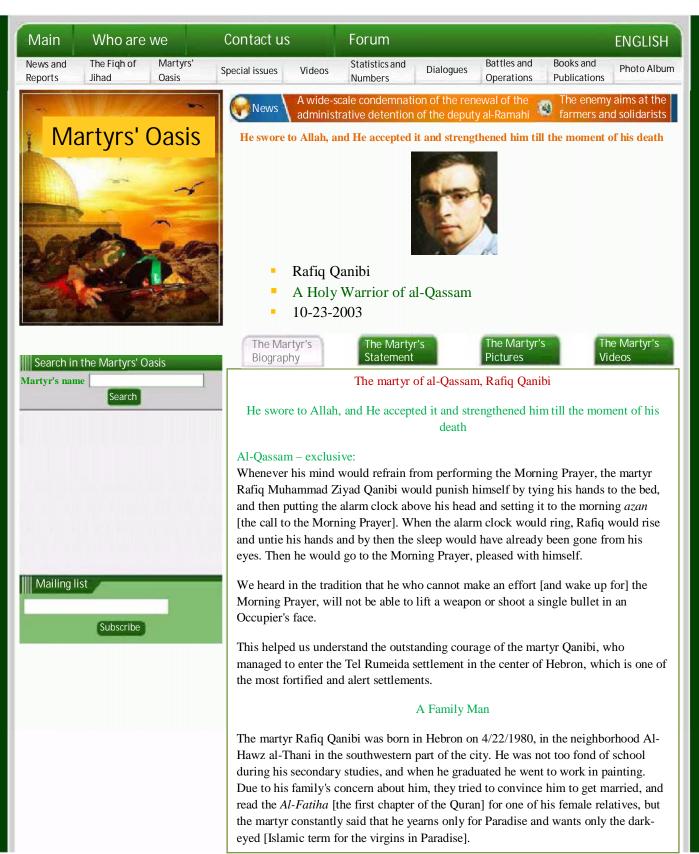
The Martyr Izz al-Din al-Qassam Brigades - Information office



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MR-ARA227177 MR-AB00113260 The martyr was responsible for his household, especially since his father was working at night and sleeping during the day, so his sons saw him for a short time only [every day]. This made the martyr assume full responsibility for the family. He spent all his time working and taking care of the upbringing of his brothers. His mother, Umm Rafiq, says that he was her first-born, and that he would always tell her: "Mother, you have to obligate my brothers and sisters to pray at the mosques, for they educate them in morals, decorum and religion. By Allah, if it was not for the mosques and the youth of the mosques, we would not have this kind of morals".

His morals

When Umm Rafiq speaks about his childhood, she says that he was quiet since infancy, and that he was committed to praying at the mosques. Whenever he gave someone a gift, he was bent on it being related to religion and adherence to religion, such as traditional clothes, Islamic films and chanted Quran tapes. He used to fast every Monday and Thursday of every week, and he was constantly reading the Quran and using personal prayers, and on Friday nights he would read Surat al-Kahf [lit. 'the cave', Sura no. 19]

When his sister asked him for a Quran tape, he brought her the full and chanted Quran.

His will

The martyr left a will he wrote to his family, brothers, friends and relatives, in which he said that he apologizes to his parents that he could not comply with their wish and withdraw from the way of Jihad and martyrdom. He swore three times by the name of Allah the Mighty that he cannot and will never surrender himself to his enemies, since he decided that he will live the rest of his life in glory and dignity. He added that he will quench his thirst for Jews with his body and blood, and he swore that Jews will not harm a single hair on his head so long as he lives.

His sister Rabab says that the martyr was longing for Paradise and for meeting the martyrs Izz al-Din Misk, Basel al-Qawasmeh, Ahmad Othman, Raed Misk and many others. She added that he hung their pictures in his room and used to enter that room for many long hours, lock the door behind him and stare at the pictures. She also said that he was greatly affected by the martyrdom of Basel al-Qawasmeh and did not get out of bed for several days. His body became emaciated, and yet he refused to eat anything and locked the door to his room.

He was also frequently affected by the events of the Intifada, the assassinations and the deaths of martyrs and children.

The pursuit

The martyr's mother says that he participated courageously in the Intifada and was arrested by the Zionists four times. On the first time he was detained for 6 days for investigations; on the second time he was detained for 40 days; on the third time he was detained for 3 months; and on the fourth time he was detained for 6 months, and was released during last Ramadan.

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MR-ARA227177 - continued MR-AB00113260 - continued Every time he was accused of sheltering runaways and of throwing rocks and empty bottles at the tanks of the Occupation.

His mother added that the martyr was not pursued, even though the Zionist forces came to the house several times and searched and destroyed the house's furniture. Every time they could not find Rafiq in the house, they left him a military message to go to the intelligence officer, but Rafiq refused every time to surrender himself to the Occupation, whatever the price was.

A week before he was killed, the martyr was sitting in his grandfather's apartment, listening to a lecture by Amru Khaled. At a certain point he went to his own apartment and all of a sudden he saw a large group of Occupation soldiers assuming positions around the house in the area of Al-Hawz al-Thani. Immediately Rafiq escaped through the back-door and vanished from sight, and when the soldiers entered the house and could not find him, they began smashing the furniture and breaking everything in the house, and told his mother that he must surrender himself.

His sister Rabab added that she followed the martyr and found him asleep in one of the houses, his face beaming, and she said to one of her relatives: "This is the sleep of a martyr". After Rafiq had awakened, she embraced him warmly, "but he told me: if anything happens to me, I do not owe anything to anyone except for certain sums of money to a few people I worked with", and he named the people and the requested sums.

After the soldiers left the house, Rafiq returned there in order to make sure his family was alright, and then his mother and father implored him to surrender himself. Umm Rafiq adds that she told him: "Think about the family – how it will change without you, how the house will be demolished.". In order to dissuade him from his intention, I told him: "I will never be pleased with you if you will do something that does not please me". At this point, Umm Rafiq starts to cry and says: "I wish I had not said those things to him", because during the few days he was pursued, they hurt him, and he indicated his pain in his will. Nevertheless, Rafiq was quick about his business, and did not want to be arrested by the Jews, so that he could keep the secret of his martyr brothers, and to keep his prayer and dignity during the last few days he had left". She says that the last thing he said to her was: "You have Allah, mother, and you should pray the Consult Prayer and pray to Allah for me".

Rabab adds: "Rafiq aspired only for martyrdom, and he told us about it several times, but we did not expect that he would enter Tel Rumeida and do what he did". She mentions that a few days before he died she had dreams, in which she saw Rafiq with one of his friends shooting at Occupation soldiers from an uninhabited building, and the martyr was firing his gun and running towards the soldiers with a smile on his face. Then she knew that he will die as a martyr. Umm Rafiq said that she prayed the Consult Prayer, but she saw in her sleep that her father brought her several packs of meat, and she put them in the refrigerator wrapped in plastic bags, and then she realized that Rafiq will die as a martyr.

The story of the martyrdom

On 10/22/2003, after the Wednesday Midday Prayer, the martyr concealed his machine-gun under the jacket he was wearing and walked around near the Jews' territory on top of Tel Rumeida. According to eyewitnesses, the martyr asked a university student on the street if there are Zionist soldiers at the end of the street, and the student answered him: "Yes, there are soldiers spread throughout the street", but she advised him to take off his Jacket so that the Jews will not detain him and search him. He asked her to get away from that place, and then he came across several school students returning to their homes in the same street. They told him that there are plenty of soldiers, and he told them that they ought to leave the place.

Quickly the martyr took off his jacket and put a green headband on his forehead, according to the residents of the occupied Palestinian houses there. The people thought that one of the settlers was imitating those seeking martyrdom, because the settlers imitate the Palestinians mockingly many times in the aforementioned neighborhood. Only a few minutes have passed and the bullets started pouring down over the heads of the soldiers who were near the settlement, and he hit those that were on the ground. Then he began shooting towards a group of soldiers concentrated at the top. The martyr was shot and hit in his leg, but he got down to his knees and continued shooting until he was killed.

Umm Rafiq says that when she heard that a suicide attacker entered the Tel Rumeida neighborhood, she felt inside that the suicide attacker was Rafiq. She was in a clinic then, getting treatment for her little child, and she began to cry bitterly and felt a sharp pain in her stomach. She quickly returned home, and she says: "I took the children's toys, their clothes and several necessary objects and started getting them out of the house". Then came Abu Rafiq and said that the martyr is from the Al-Aqsa Brigades and that no one told him that it was Rafiq, but she says: "I did not feel reassured". After a few hours the Occupation soldiers came to the house and began breaking things. They arrested Abu Rafiq and his brother-in-law and took them to an unknown place. In the middle of the night they came to the house that belongs to the martyr's grandfather, got everybody out of the house and blew it up.

The martyr's mother says that it was her brother who informed her of Rafiq's martyrdom, and that she began shouting: "Allah is the Greatest and to Allah is the praise". She did not cry, however, but went to pray and prostrate in gratitude to Allah the Exalted.

The martyr's mother asks: "Will we receive a reward for our perseverance for our sons? By Allah, I feel that Allah has honored me with the martyrdom of Rafiq so that I will be like the martyrs' mothers in perseverance and contribution.

In honor of his heroism, the Islamic and national movement arranged a great celebration for him, which was the center of everyone's attention.

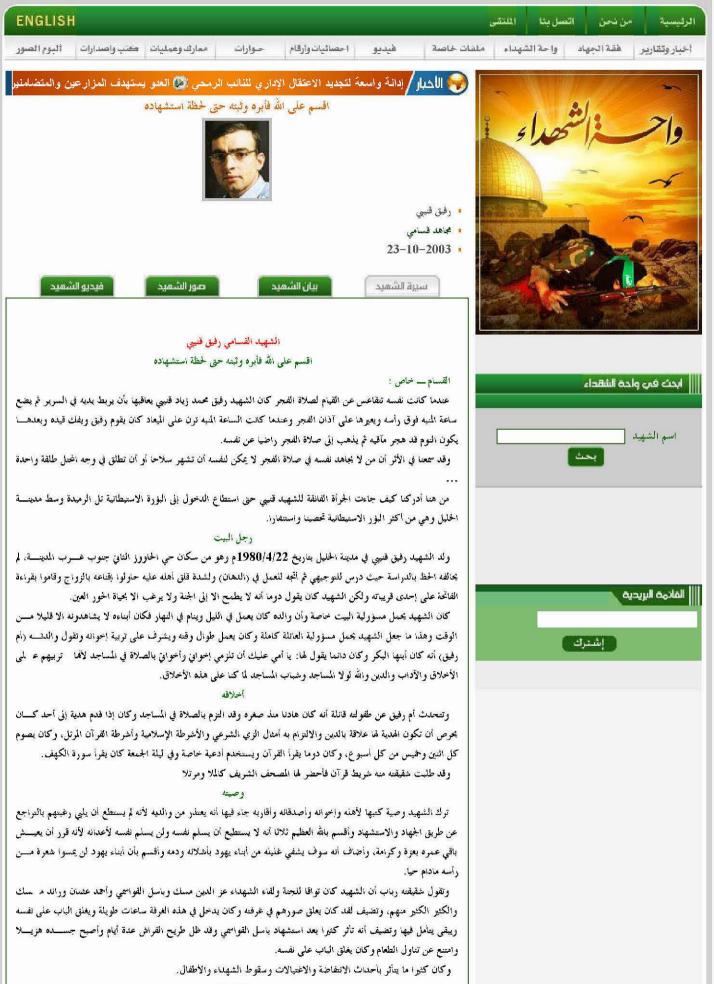
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تقول والدة الشهيد أنه كان يشارك بقوة في الانتفاضة وقد اعتقل لدى الجانب الصهيوي أربع مرات قضى في المرة الأولى (6) أيام تحقيق وفي الثانية (40)يوما وفي الثالثة (3) أشهر أما الرابعة فقد قضى فيها (6) أشهر وخرج في شهر رمضان مسن العسام الماضي.

وكانت قممته في كل مرة إيواء مطاردين والقاء الحجارة وزجاجات فارغة على دبابات الاحتلال.

وقبل استشهاده بأسبوع كان الشهيد بجلس في شقة جده يستمع لمحاضرة لعمرو خالد وفي هذه الأثناء انتقل الشهيد إلى شقته وإذا به يشاهد مجموعة كبيرة من جنود الاحتلال تأخذ مواقعها في محيط المترل في منطقة الحاووز الثاني وعندها هرب وفيتق من الباب الحلفي ثم اختفى عن الأنظار وعندما دخل الجنود إلى المترل ولم يجدوه أخذوا يحطمون في الأثاث ويكسرون في محتويات المترل وقالوا لوالدته عليه أن يسلم نفسه.

وتضيف شقيقته رباب ألها تنبعت الشهيد ووجدته في أحد المنازل وكان نانما يشع وجهه نورا فقالت لإحدى قريباقما هذا نسوم شهيد وبعد أن استيقظ رفيق عانقنه بحرارة ولكن قال لي لو حصل لي شيء لا يوجد علي ديون لأحد بل يوجد لي علسى بعسض الذين عملت معهم مبالغا من النقود وسمى لي الأشخاص والمبالغ المطلوبة.

وبعد ذهاب الجنود من المترل عاد رفيق إلى المترل ليطمأن على حالة الأسرة فقامت أمه وأبيه بمناشدته لتسليم نفسه وتضيف أم رفيق ألها قالت له فكر في حال الأسرة كيف سيغدو بعدك وكيف سيهدم المترل ولكي اثبه عن نيته قلت له (لن أرضى عنك إذا أنت فعلت أي شيء أنا لا أرضاه) وهنا تبكي أم رفيق بخوارة وتقول ليتني لم اقل له هذا الكلام لأنه خلال الأيسام القلية الـتي أعاشها مطاردا كان يتألم بسبيها وقد أشار إلى ألمه في وصيته ولكن رفيق كان على عجل من أمره ولا يريد أن يعتقله اليهود حستى يخافظ على سر إخوانه الشهداء ودعوته وتحافظ على كرامته خلال الأيام القليلة المنقية له، وتقول أن أخر عبارة قالها لها لكم الله يتا أهي وعليكم أن تصلوا صلاة الاستخارة وتلحون الله لي.

وتضيف رباب أن رفيق كان لا يطمح الا للشهادة وقد ابلغنا بالملك عدة مرات ولكن لم نتوقع أن يدخل إلى تل الرميدة ويقوم بما قام به وتشير إلى ألها رأت رؤيا قبل استشهاده بأيام قليلة حيث شاهدت رفيق مع أحد أصدقاءه يطلقون النار باتجاه جن الاحتلال من بناية غير مسكونة وكان الشهيد يطلق النار ويركض باتجاه الجنود وهو يبتسم فعرفت أنه سوف يستشهد أما أم رفيق فقالت ألها صلت الاستخارة ولكنها شاهدت في المنام أن والدها أهداها عدد من رقدر اللحم) وقد وضعت في التلاجسة وهسي ملفوفة باكياس بلاستيك فأدركت أن رفيق سوف يستشهد.

قصة الاستشهاد

وبتاريخ 2003/10/22م وبعد صلاة الظهر ليوم الأربعاء كان الشهيد يخفي رشاشه تحت جاكيت كان يرتديه و كان يسبر بالفرب من تربة اليهود عل أعلى تلة الرميدة وبحسب روايات شهود عيان فأن الشهيد سأل طالبة جامعية كانت تسير في الشارع إذا كان في أسفل الشارع جنود صهاينة أم لا فأجابته الطالبة نعم هناك جنود يستشرون في الشارع ولكنها نصبحه بأن يخلع الجاكيت حتى لا يقوم اليهود بإيقافه وتفتيشه ولكنه طلب منها أن تبتعد من المكان ثم صادف عدد من طالبات المدارس عالمات

وفي لحظات سريعة كان الشهيد يقتلع الجاكيت ويضع عصبة خضواء على جيبه بحسب روايات أصحاب المنازل الفل سطينية المحتلة في الموقع وقد اعتقد الناس أنه أحد المستوطنين يقلد الاستشهاديين لأن المستوطنون يقلدون الفلسطينيين (استهزاء) بحسم في الكثير من الأحيان في الحي المذكور ولم تمض الا دقائق معدودة حتى الطلق الرصاص ينهمو على رؤوس الجنود السذين تواجسدوا بالقرب من المؤرة الاستيطانية فأصاب من كانوا على الأرض ثم أخذ يطلق النار بانجاه مجموعة من الجنود كسانوا يتمركسوك الأعلى وقد أصبب الشهيد بالرصاص في قدمه ولكنه ركع على ركيبيه وطل يطلق النار بانجاه مجموعة من الجنود كسانوا يتمو

وتقول أم رفيق ألها حينما سمعت أن استشهاديا دخل إلى حي تل الرميدة أحست بداخلها أن الإستشهادي هو رفيق، وكا نت حينها في أحدى العيادات من أجل علاج طفلها الصغير وقد أخذت تبكي بحرارة وأحست بألم حاد في المعدة ولكنها عادت مسرعة إلى البيت وتقول انحذت أجهزة امتعت الأولاد وملابسهم وبعض الحاجيات الضرورية وبدات أخرجها من المزل وقد جاء أبو وفيق وقال بأن الشهيد من كتائب الأقصى ولم يخبره أحد أنه رفيق وتقول لم يطمئن قلبي وبعد ساعات قليلة حضر جنود الاحتلال إلى المزل وقاموا بأعمال عربدة وتكسير واعتقلوا أبو رفيق وصهره ونقلوهم إلى جهة غير معلومة، وفي منتصف الليل حضروا إلى المزل الذي هو ملك لجد الشهيد وقاموا بإخراج كافة من في المزل وقاموا بفجيره.

وتقول أم الشهيد أن من أخبرها باستشهاد رفيق كان شقيقها وقد أخلت قمتف الله أكبر ولله الحمد ولم تبك بل ذهبت لصـــلاة ركعتي شكر تله تعالى.

وتتساءل أم الشهيد هل يكتب لنا الأجر لصبرنا على أبناءنا والله أيَّ أشعر بأن الله أكومني باستشهاد رفيق حتى أماثل أمهـــات الشهاءة في الصبر والعطاء.

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