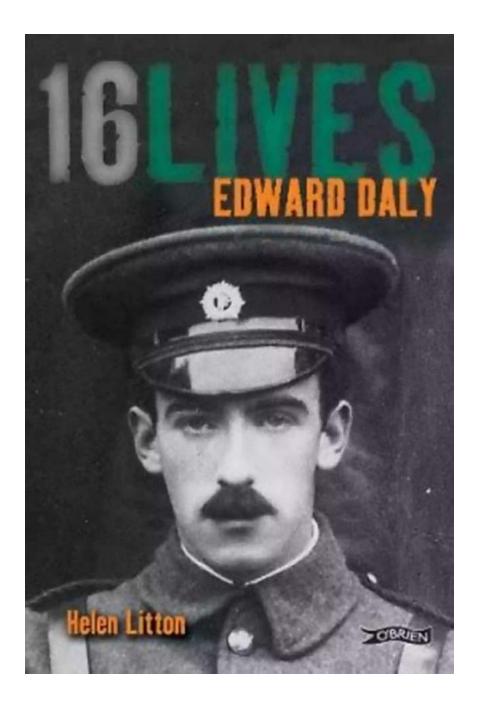
Edward Daly: The Inspiring Story of a Fearless Leader



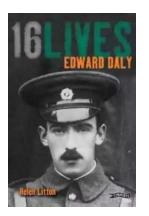
A True Hero Emerges

Edward Daly was not just a name in the crowd; he was a symbol of resilience, bravery, and the determination to fight for what is right. Born on February 23,

1933, in Lough Swilly, County Donegal, Edward Daly would go on to play a pivotal role in the Irish civil rights movement, leaving a lasting impact on the people of Derry and the world.

A Journey of Activism Begins

Daly's journey into activism commenced when he was ordained as a priest in 1957. His devotion to Christianity and his unwavering belief in social justice fueled his passion for fighting against inequality and discrimination in Northern Ireland.



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The Battle for Civil Rights

In the late 1960s, Northern Ireland was plagued by systemic discrimination against the Catholic community. Catholics often faced social, political, and economic marginalization, leading to widespread unrest and dissatisfaction. Edward Daly emerged as a prominent figure in the fight for civil rights, organizing peaceful protests and advocating for equality on behalf of the Catholic population.

The Bloody Sunday Massacre

On January 30, 1972, a day etched in history as Bloody Sunday, Daly's courage was put to the ultimate test. As thousands gathered for a civil rights march in Derry, British soldiers opened fire on civilians, resulting in the tragic deaths of 14 innocent people. In that chaos, Daly, as a Catholic priest, fearlessly ventured onto the streets to aid the wounded and provide last rites to the dying.

A Powerful Image

Daly's iconic image waving a blood-stained white handkerchief while escorting a dying teenager to safety became a universal symbol of the struggle for justice. This photograph, captured by Gilles Peress, circulated worldwide, shedding light on the brutal reality faced by the Catholic community and propelling Daly's story onto the global stage.

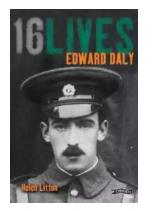


Legacy and Impact

Edward Daly's fearless dedication to civil rights, peace, and justice left an indelible mark on Irish history. His pivotal role in highlighting the atrocities committed on Bloody Sunday played a significant part in waking up the international community to the plight of the Irish people. Daly's unwavering commitment to the principles of equality and social justice continues to inspire generations and serves as a reminder that one person can make a significant difference.

Edward Daly's remarkable journey from a young priest to an influential figure in the Irish civil rights movement serves as a testament to the power of conviction and standing up for what is right. His profound impact on the world is one that cannot be overstated, as he epitomized the spirit of bravery and solidarity in the face of oppression. Edward Daly, forever remembered as a hero, will continue to inspire and ignite change for years to come.

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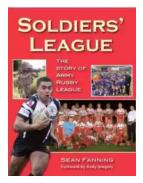


Born in Limerick in 1891, John Edward or 'Ned' Daly was the only son in a family of nine. Ned's father, Edward, an ardent Fenian, died before his son was born, but Ned's Uncle John, also a radical Fenian, was a formative influence. John Daly was prepared to use physical force to win Ireland's freedom and was imprisoned for twelve years for his activities. Ned's sister Kathleen married Tom Clarke, a key figure of the Easter Rising. Nationalism was in the Daly blood.

Yet young Ned was seen as frivolous and unmotivated, interested only in his appearance and his social life. How Edward Daly became a professional Volunteer soldier, dedicated to freeing his country from foreign rule, forms the core of this biography.

Drawing on family memories and archives, Edward Daly's grandniece Helen Litton uncovers the untold story of Edward Daly, providing an insight into one of the more enigmatic figures of the Easter Rising.

As commandant during the Rising, Ned controlled the Four Courts area. On 4 May 1916, Commandant Edward Daly was executed for his part in the Easter Rising. Ned was twenty-five years old. His body was consigned to a mass grave.



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