

Akhtar Sabet

Born: 1958, Sarvestan, Fars

Executed by hanging in Shiraz on 18 June 1983

Akhtar Sabet was born into a Baha'i family. Her father owned a small shop and she assisted him while also acquiring an education at school. At the age of 18, on 8 December 1978, her family home and shop were looted, as were the properties of the other Baha'is living in the area. They were forced to leave Sarvestan and moved to Shiraz where she continued her studies and later graduated as a nurse. She worked at a hospital and taught Bahá'í children's classes.

Akhtar Sabet was arrested on 23 October 1982 and first held at the Sepah Detention Centre for 38 days. She was then transferred to Adilabad prison and executed on 18 June 1983, together with 9 other women, Simin Saberi, Nosrat Ghufrani Yaldaie, Ezzat-Janami Eshraghi, Roya Eshraghi, Tahereh Siyavushi, Mona Mahmoudnejad, Shahin (Shirin) Dalvand, Zarrin Moghimi-Abyanehand, Mahshid Niroumand. They were executed by hanging in Chowgan-Square in Shiraz. Their bodies were not returned to their families; they were possibly buried at the Baha'i cemetery in Shiraz by the authorities.

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