

Rouhollah Hasouri

Born: 1942, Sharifabad, Yazd

Executed by firing squad in Yazd on 21 January 1985

Rouhollah Hasouri was born in 1942 in Sharifabad, Yazd. He completed his first four years of elementary school there and then continued his education through night school in Tehran while also working. He later obtained a Diploma in Electrical Technology, and in 1976 returned to Yazd and worked for the Radio and Television Department there. In 1980, after the commencement of the Islamic Revolution, he was dismissed from his job for his adherence to the Faith. In 1980, he was appointed an assistant¹ and in 1982 he was elected to the Local Spiritual Assembly of Yazd.

Then on 16 May 1983 he was arrested. After two hours of interrogation he was released and was told to present himself to the authorities the next morning, which he did and was thus imprisoned. He was first kept in solitary confinement for 25 days and then transferred to the prison of the police department on 3 November 1983, together with four other believers. On 10 December 1983, he was transferred to the Sepah prison in Yazd. He was executed by firing squad on 21 January 1985.

(This brief biographical note is based on the best available information. If you find any inaccuracies, or any important facts omitted, please email us through the Contact page.)

¹ **Assistants:** individuals appointed by the Auxiliary Board members to assist them in their work on a local level.

Auxiliary Board Members: group of individuals appointed by the Continental Board of Counselors for a five year term. Their responsibility is to encourage individuals and strengthen Baha'i communities in their area of service - usually smaller regions within a country. Auxiliary Board Members have a consultative role in relation to the Local Spiritual Assemblies.

Local Spiritual Assembly: a nine-member administrative body elected annually by the Baha'is of a particular area, tasked with overseeing the affairs of the Baha'i community of that area.