

Lilly Ledbetter, a Revered Activist for Equal Pay and Gender Discrimination Died at 86

Fall of a fighter with equal pay activist Lilly Ledbetter's death at the age of 86 years. She had dedicated her life to fighting against gender discrimination and unfair pay.



Atlanta, Georgia Oct 14, 2024 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Lilly Ledbetter will always be an inspirational person for many who have dedicated her whole life to fighting against gender discrimination in the workplace. Unfortunately, the unwavering activities for equal pay passed away at the age of 86 years. She was the role model for the Fair Pay Act which passed in 2009 and now, the team has decided to show tribute by making a film on her life and contributions. The family of Ledbetter said that she died of respiratory issues.

She dedicated 19 years at Goodyear until it was enough for her to rebel as she was making thousands of dollars less than the other male managers at work. It was not easy to fight against a big company but Lilly Ledbetter fearlessly sued Goodyear in 1999 with an allegation of gender discrimination. With a good fight, she won the case at the federal court in 2003 and was rewarded \$3.8 million for the damages and the less earnings. But the decision took a turn with the appeal by the tire company and the case dragged till 2007 and made its way to the Supreme Court. But the Court said that she had to sue within the initial three years of less pay rather than waiting for so long. She had no choice but to retire but she continued her activism for equal pay.

After Barrack Obama became the President of America, the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act was passed and she expressed, "That was the most awesome emotion I think that I have ever had,". Her fight for equal pay was not only for her but all the women around the country who faced the same. She was a

role model for feminism and everybody has paid their respect after the fall of the activist. According to IMDB, a movie named 'Lilly' will be released soon which will portray her spirit.

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