Day of Mourning for workers killed or injured April 28 on the job

Remember the canary

The tiny canary was once the only safeguard mine workers had against danger in the workplace. If the canary died, it was a signal to evacuate the mines... fast. Today, CUPE members across Canada act as frontline protection for their fellow citizens. They have become the canaries.

Each year approximately 1,000 Canadian workers are killed on the job. Hundreds of thousands are injured. Countless thousands become permanently disabled or die from work-related diseases.

April 28 is a day to pause, reflect and gather our resolve. It has become a day to rededicate ourselves to the fight for improved health and safety.

Let's remember these CUPE members killed on the job in 2016

Paul Barao, CUPE 2544, Ontario
Thierry Leroux, CUPE 5153, Québec
Claude Davidson, CUPE 3333, Québec
Mike McNeil, CUPE 1259, Nova Scotia
Jody Taylor, CUPE 1004, British Columbia
Nicole Leblanc, CUPE 25, Ontario
Saturnino Sonson, CUPE 30, Alberta
Ben Melong, CUPE 30, Alberta
Daphne Sandoval, CUPE 966, Ontario

