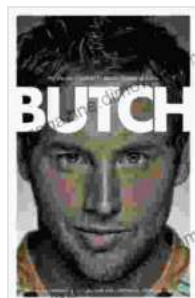


# Butch Rhiannon Thomas: A Trailblazing Force in the Fight for LGBTQ+ Rights



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**A Life of Purpose and Impact**

Butch Rhiannon Thomas, a Black lesbian feminist and LGBTQ+ rights advocate, dedicated her life to fighting for the rights and dignity of marginalized communities. Her unwavering spirit and tireless work have left an indelible mark on the LGBTQ+ rights movement.

Thomas was born in 1954 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She came out as a lesbian in the early 1970s, and her experiences as a Black, queer woman in a predominantly white, heteronormative society shaped her perspective and activism.

In 1982, Thomas co-founded the Philadelphia Lesbian and Gay Task Force (PLGTF), one of the first LGBTQ+ organizations in the United States.

PLGTF provided vital services and support to the LGBTQ+ community, and was instrumental in organizing protests and advocating for LGBTQ+ rights.

Thomas's work extended beyond Philadelphia. She served on the board of the National Coalition of Black Lesbians and Gays (NCBLG), and helped organize the first National Black Lesbian and Gay Leadership Conference in 1983.

In the early 1990s, Thomas played a key role in the fight against HIV/AIDS. She worked with the Philadelphia AIDS Task Force to provide support and services to people living with HIV/AIDS, and advocated for increased funding for HIV/AIDS research and treatment.

## **Leadership and Advocacy**

Throughout her career, Thomas was a tireless advocate for the rights of Black and LGBTQ+ people. She testified before Congress on behalf of

LGBTQ+ rights, and her work often focused on the intersectionality of race, gender, and sexuality.

Thomas believed that true liberation could only be achieved through the empowerment of all marginalized communities. She worked with organizations such as the National Women's Political Caucus and the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice to build alliances and create a more just and equitable society.

Thomas's leadership was recognized both within the LGBTQ+ community and beyond. She received numerous awards for her activism, including the White House Champions of Change Award in 2012.

## **Legacy and Impact**

Butch Rhiannon Thomas passed away in 2014, but her legacy continues to inspire and guide LGBTQ+ activists and advocates today. Her work helped to pave the way for a more just and equitable society, and her unwavering spirit continues to inspire those who fight for the rights of marginalized communities.

Thomas's life and work are a testament to the power of resilience, determination, and the unwavering pursuit of justice. She will be remembered as one of the most important figures in the LGBTQ+ rights movement, and her legacy will continue to inspire and empower generations to come.

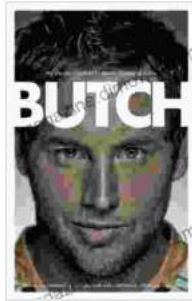
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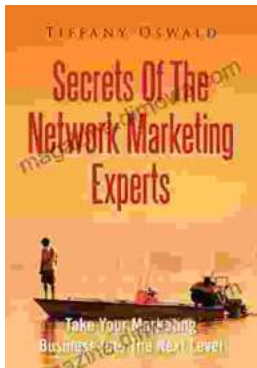
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