David McReynolds, "Hero of the U.S. anti-war movement," dies at 88



New York, August 21 (RHC)-- David McReynolds, a longtime pacifist and socialist whom historian Howard Zinn and many others have called the "Hero of the antiwar movement," has died at the age of 88. For nearly four decades, from 1960 to 1999, McReynolds was a staff member with the War Resisters League, where he focused on counter-recruitment and helped organize one of the first draft card burnings.

McReynolds went on to play a key role in some of the major demonstrations against the U.S. war of aggression against Vietnam. He also campaigned for nuclear disarmament. In 1980 and 2000, McReynolds ran for president as an openly gay man on the Socialist Party USA ticket. He died in New York City at the age of 88.

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