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USA (DELAWARE)

James B CLARK

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Amnesty International very much regrets that James Clark was executed as scheduled on 19 April 1996 in Delaware.

*"Jerry, Jerry, my soul is free", were the last words of James Clark, spoken to his lawyer Jerome Capone. His lawyer said to the press that "the story here is not the fact that James Clark was executed but why he chose to be executed instead of fighting for his life. Execution was the only way he could escape prison".*

Thank you to all those who sent appeals on James Clark's behalf. Letters expressing regret at his execution may be sent to Delaware authorities listed in the original UA.