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DENNIS BRUTUS

A single rose
a single candle
a black coffin
a few mourners
weeping:

for the unsung brave
who sing in the dark
who defy the colonels
and who know
a new world stirs.

As one of the most distinguished contemporary African poets, DENNIS BRUTUS hardly needs any introduction. He is currently a Professor of English at Northwestern University, and recently read a paper on "The Case for the Liberation Movements of Southern Africa" at the Yale Law School.