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New York, December 23 (RHC)-- Charlene Alexander Mitchell, freedom fighter and fierce defender of civil and human rights, has died at 92. Charlene Mitchell helped lead the fight to free Angela Davis and other

political prisoners.

Charlene Mitchell was an African-American international socialist, feminist, labor and civil rights activist. She served as a National Co-Chair Emeritus of the Committees of Correspondence for Democracy and Socialism (CCDS).[1]

Mitchell joined the Communist Party USA at age 16, and emerged as one of the most influential leaders in the party from the late 1950s to the 1980s. As the CPUSA's nominee, she was the first African-American woman candidate to run for President of the United States.

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