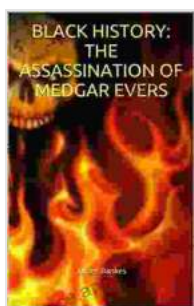


# Black History: The Assassination of Medgar Evers

Medgar Evers was a civil rights activist who was assassinated in 1963. He was the field secretary for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) in Mississippi, and he worked tirelessly to fight for the rights of African Americans. Evers was a courageous and dedicated leader, and his death was a tragic loss to the civil rights movement.

## Early Life and Career

Medgar Evers was born in Decatur, Mississippi, in 1925. His parents were sharecroppers, and he grew up in poverty. Evers was a bright and ambitious student, and he graduated from high school at the top of his class. He went on to attend Alcorn State University, where he studied business administration.



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After graduating from college, Evers served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was stationed in Europe, and he saw combat in France and Germany. Evers was a decorated war veteran, and he was awarded the Bronze Star for bravery.

After the war, Evers returned to Mississippi and began working for the NAACP. He quickly rose through the ranks, and in 1954 he was named the field secretary for the state of Mississippi. Evers was responsible for organizing voter registration drives, desegregating schools, and fighting for other civil rights.

### **The Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi**

Mississippi was one of the most segregated states in the country in the 1950s and 1960s. African Americans were denied their basic rights, and they were subjected to violence and intimidation on a daily basis. Evers was one of the leaders of the civil rights movement in Mississippi, and he worked tirelessly to fight for the rights of African Americans.

Evers organized voter registration drives, desegregated schools, and fought for other civil rights. He also worked to improve the economic conditions of African Americans in Mississippi. Evers was a tireless advocate for justice, and he never gave up on the dream of a better future for all.

### **The Assassination of Medgar Evers**

On June 12, 1963, Medgar Evers was assassinated by a white supremacist named Byron De La Beckwith. Evers was shot in the back as he was returning home from a meeting. He died a few hours later at the hospital.

The assassination of Medgar Evers was a tragic loss to the civil rights movement. Evers was a courageous and dedicated leader, and his death sent shockwaves throughout the country. The assassination also helped to galvanize the civil rights movement, and it led to the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

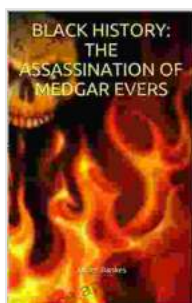
### **The Trial of Byron De La Beckwith**

Byron De La Beckwith was arrested for the murder of Medgar Evers, but he was acquitted by an all-white jury. The trial was a miscarriage of justice, and it showed that the justice system in Mississippi was flawed. Beckwith was not convicted of Evers' murder until 1994, when he was finally sentenced to life in prison.

### **The Legacy of Medgar Evers**

Medgar Evers was a hero of the civil rights movement. He was a courageous and dedicated leader who fought tirelessly for the rights of African Americans. Evers' death was a tragic loss, but his legacy continues to inspire people today. Evers' work helped to make the world a more just and equitable place, and he will never be forgotten.

### **Image of Medgar Evers**



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