

Martin Luther King

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1929
Born in the small town of
Stratford, Mississippi

1951
Graduated from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia

1954
Received his Ph.D. from
Columbia University in
New York City

1954
Joined the Southern Christian
Leadership Conference

1955
Organized the Montgomery Bus
Boycott

1957
First time he spoke at a
major church in
Montgomery, Alabama

1957
He was arrested and
imprisoned for
organizing the boycott

1968
Received Nobel Peace Prize
for his work in
Montgomery, Alabama

1963
Organized the March on
Washington for
Jobs and Freedom



1964
Received the Nobel Peace Prize
for his work in
Montgomery, Alabama

1968
Elected to the U.S. Senate
from Georgia

1968
Assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee
on April 4, 1968