



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
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Martin Luther King Day

January 16, 2012

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Quick Facts

Born: January 15, 1929 in Atlanta.

Died: April 4, 1968 in Memphis.

Dr. King earned his Ph.D. in systematic theology. Boston University. 1955.

“I Have a Dream”

“I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.”

August 1963,

Speech to civil rights supporters at the March on Washington.

Did You Know?

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day was first celebrated as a federal holiday on January 20, 1986. Dr. King is the only U.S. citizen who has a holiday dedicated to his life and work.

Nonviolence and Civil Rights

Influenced by: Mohandas Gandhi (1869-1948)

Time Magazine’s Man of the Year 1964

Nobel Peace Prize 1964

Assassinated by unknown gunman at 6:05pm, April 4, 1968 at the Lorraine Motel where he was giving a speech from his second-floor balcony.