



Martin Luther King Junior was far from alone in his struggle for civil rights. Many other leaders worked toward a common goal of liberty and equality for all Americans.

Freedom and Equality for All

Martin Luther King led the Civil Rights Movement along with many other prominent leaders.

The African American Civil Rights Movement was a series of reform movements, aimed to protest against the growing racial discrimi-

nation against people of African American origin, in the United States from 1955 to 1968. This movement was started and led by some African

American leaders who were pained at the racist and discriminatory social practices and behavior being meted out to them. As a result, they organized themselves to conduct

protest rallies and demonstrations which went on to become the voice of the African Americans and a historic movement in American history.

Civil Rights Era Leaders:

Ralph Abernathy (1926-1990): clergyman, activist, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) official

James Bevel (1936-2008): SCLC's main strategist, organizer, and Direct Action leader

Julian Bond (1940-): activist, politician, scholar, lawyer, NAACP chairman

Cesar Chavez (1927-1993): Chicano activist, organizer, trade unionist

Claudette Colvin (1939-): pioneer student and independent activist

Marvel Cooke (1903-2000): journalist, writer, trade unionist, civil rights activist

Dorothy Cotton (1930-): SCLC activist and leader

W. E. B. Du Bois (1868-1963): writer, scholar, founder of NAACP

James Farmer (1920-1999): CORE leader and activist

James Forman (1928-2005): SNCC official and activist

Marie Foster (1917-2003): activist, local leader in Selma Movement

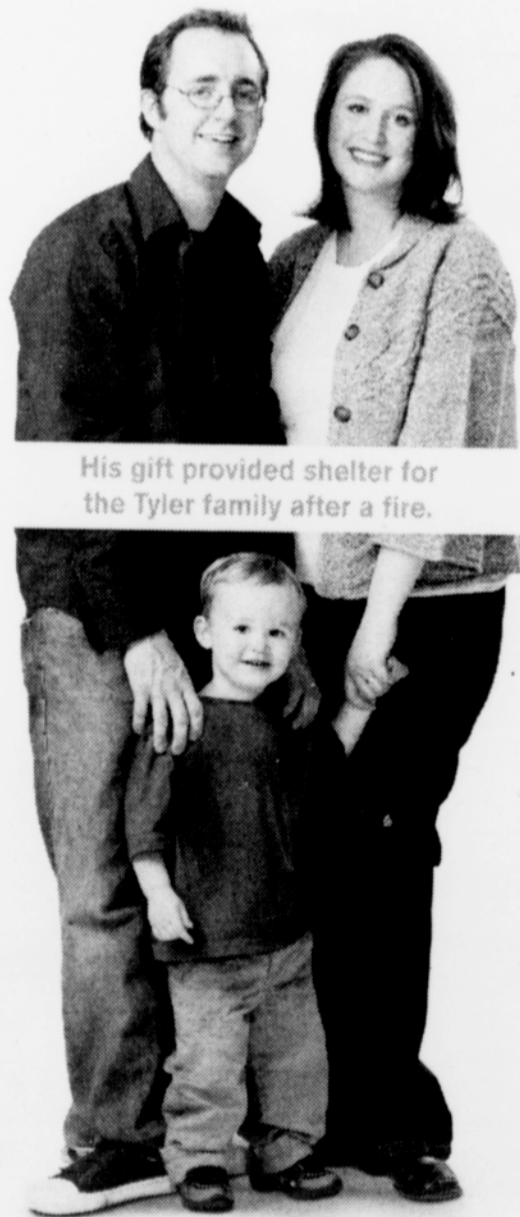
Betty Friedan (1921-2006): writer, activist, feminist

Prathia Hall (1940-2002): SNCC activist, civil rights movement speaker

Fannie Lou Hamer (1917-1977): activist in Mississippi movements



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