

Remembering Dr. Dorothy I. Height

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Civil Rights Leader & Activist Dorothy Irene Height

Today we celebrate Dorothy Height's 102nd birthday.

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If you're in the United States, today you'll see activist Dorothy Height represented in the Doodle at the top of your screen. Dr. Height would have been 102 years old today.

Dorothy Irene Height was an American administrator, educator, and a civil rights and women's rights activist specifically focused on the issues of African-American women, including unemployment, illiteracy, and voter awareness.

She was born March 24, 1912 in Richmond, VA. She died, April 20, 2010 in Washington, DC.

Height was admitted to Barnard College in 1929, but upon arrival, she was denied entrance because the school had an unwritten policy of admitting only two black students per year. She pursued studies instead at New York University, earning a degree in 1932, and a master's degree in educational psychology the following year. Height pursued further postgraduate work at Columbia University and the New York School of Social Work (the predecessor of the Columbia University School of Social Work).

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Dr. Dorothy Height was considered the “grande dame” of the civil rights era. She was an American administrator, educator, and social activist. She also served as president of the National Council of Negro Women for forty ...

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Fifty years ago, Dorothy Irene Height decided that the civil rights message could use a woman's touch. In 1963, the response to the civil rights movement was growing too violent, especially in Mississippi. In a New York meeting between civil rights ...

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Continue the legacy of Dr. Dorothy Height by sharing this information with friends and family. Her decades of struggle, dedication and accomplishment were not just for her time, but were to insure a positive and enduring future for African Americans.