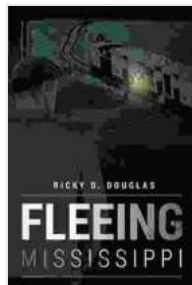


# Fleeing Mississippi: The Story of Evan Placey

Evan Placey was born in Mississippi in 1944. He grew up in a small town where racism and violence were a part of everyday life. Black people were treated as second-class citizens, and they were constantly subjected to discrimination and violence.



## Fleeing Mississippi by Evan Placey

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Placey's father was a sharecropper, and he worked long hours in the fields to support his family. Placey's mother was a homemaker, and she raised their six children in a small house on the edge of town.

Placey attended segregated schools, and he was often the only black student in his class. He was teased and bullied by white students, and he was often made to feel like an outsider.

In 1962, when Placey was 18 years old, he was arrested for participating in a civil rights march. He was beaten and jailed, and he was threatened with

violence if he did not leave town.

Placey knew that he could not stay in Mississippi, so he decided to flee. He packed his belongings and hitchhiked to Chicago, where he hoped to find a better life.

Placey arrived in Chicago in 1963, and he quickly found a job in a factory. He worked hard and saved his money, and he eventually bought a small house for his family.

Placey never forgot his experiences in Mississippi, and he became a vocal advocate for civil rights. He spoke out against racism and violence, and he worked to help other black people who had fled the South.

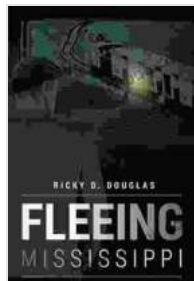
In 1987, Placey published his memoir, "Fleeing Mississippi." The book tells the story of his life in Mississippi and his experiences as a refugee in Chicago.

Placey's story is a powerful reminder of the racism and violence that black people faced in the United States during the Jim Crow era. It is also a story of hope and resilience, and it shows how one man was able to overcome adversity and build a better life for himself and his family.

### **Evan Placey's Legacy**

Evan Placey died in 2016 at the age of 72. He left behind a legacy of activism and advocacy for civil rights. His memoir, "Fleeing Mississippi," continues to inspire and educate people about the history of racism and violence in the United States.

Placey's story is a reminder that the fight for civil rights is not over. Racism and violence continue to be a problem in the United States, and we must all work to create a more just and equitable society.



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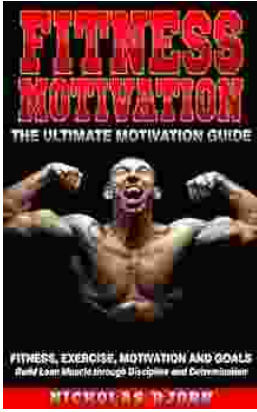
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