

Morning Letter

Dear Class,

Today we're going to learn about Horace T. Ward and his life during the time of segregation. We are also going to learn about the work he did in the fight for civil rights. Mr. Ward is an African-American who was born in Lagrange, Georgia during the time of segregation. His family and teachers had great dreams for him and suggested he become a lawyer, which was not such an easy thing for an African-American to do during that time. When he finished high school, he went to Morehouse College in Atlanta where he decided he did want to become a lawyer. Mr. Ward wanted to get his law degree from the University of Georgia, but the University did not allow African-Americans to attend. Mr. Ward decided he wanted to fight the University in court in order to gain admittance to the University. He faced many obstacles, and although he did not get admitted to the University of Georgia, he became a lawyer at a university in Chicago. Mr. Ward, however, did not give up his fight for the desegregation of UGA. He came back to Georgia and helped two other African-American students fight for admittance to the University and this time they won. The University of Georgia was finally open to African-American students, thanks to Mr. Ward and his colleagues.

Vocabulary List

Horace T. Ward
Segregation
Desegregation
Civil rights
Chronological
University of Georgia
Lawyer