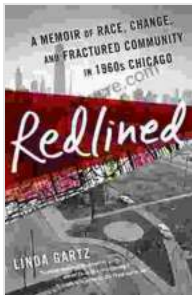


# Memoir of Race Change and Fractured Community in 1960s Chicago

In his memoir, "Growing Up Black in White America," journalist and author Clarence Page tells the story of his childhood in a rapidly changing Chicago neighborhood in the 1960s. The neighborhood is torn apart by racial tensions, and Page's family is forced to flee their home. The memoir is a moving and honest account of the challenges of growing up black in America during a time of great social and political change.



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Page was born in 1947 in Chicago's South Side. His father was a Pullman porter, and his mother was a domestic worker. The family lived in a small, two-bedroom apartment in a predominantly white neighborhood. Page's parents worked hard to provide a better life for their children, but they faced many challenges. The neighborhood was segregated, and the Page family was often subjected to discrimination and prejudice.

In the early 1960s, the neighborhood began to change. White families began to move out, and black families began to move in. The racial tensions in the neighborhood escalated, and there were several incidents of violence. In 1966, Page's family was forced to flee their home after their house was firebombed. The Page family was one of many black families who were forced to leave their homes during this time. The violence and intimidation made it impossible for them to live in their neighborhood.

Page's memoir is a powerful indictment of the racism and discrimination that black Americans faced in the 1960s. However, it is also a story of hope and resilience. Page's family was able to overcome the challenges they faced, and Page himself went on to become a successful journalist and author. His memoir is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope.

### **The Importance of Community**

One of the most important themes in Page's memoir is the importance of community. Page's family was able to overcome the challenges they faced because they had a strong community to support them. His parents were active in the church, and they had a network of friends and family who helped them through difficult times. Page also found support in the black community at large. He attended a black church, and he participated in black social and political organizations. The black community provided Page with a sense of belonging and identity. It also gave him the strength to fight against racism and discrimination.

The importance of community cannot be overstated. When people have a strong community to support them, they are more likely to be successful in overcoming challenges. They are also more likely to be happy and healthy.

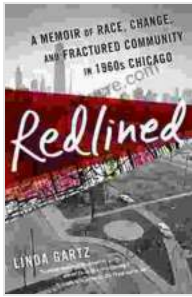
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## **The Challenges of Growing Up Black in America**

Page's memoir is also a reminder of the challenges that black Americans face in this country. Page grew up in a time of great social and political change. The civil rights movement was in full swing, and black Americans were fighting for their rights. However, racism and discrimination were still rampant. Black Americans were denied access to housing, education, and employment. They were also subjected to violence and intimidation. Page's memoir is a reminder that the challenges that black Americans face today are not new. They are a legacy of racism and discrimination that has existed for centuries.

Despite the challenges, black Americans have made great progress in this country. They have fought for their rights, and they have achieved many important victories. However, there is still much work to be done. Racism and discrimination continue to exist in this country, and black Americans continue to face challenges. We must all work together to create a more just and equitable society for all.

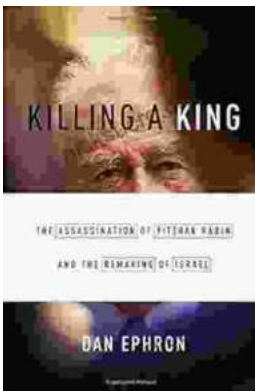
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