

ARKANSAS BLACK HISTORY



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Daisy Lee Gatson Bates (1913 or 1914 – 1999) was raised in Hutting. Bates was an active member and leader in the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). Additionally, Bates' activism, specifically related to the integration of Little Rock Central High School, made her a nationally-known civil rights figure. Bates received numerous honors for her work including streets and an elementary school in Little Rock being named in her honor. In addition, beginning in 2001, the third Monday in February is celebrated as Daisy Gatson Bates Day in Arkansas. To find out more about Daisy Lee Gatson Bates or for more examples of black excellence, visit the Mosaic Templars Cultural Center.



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