

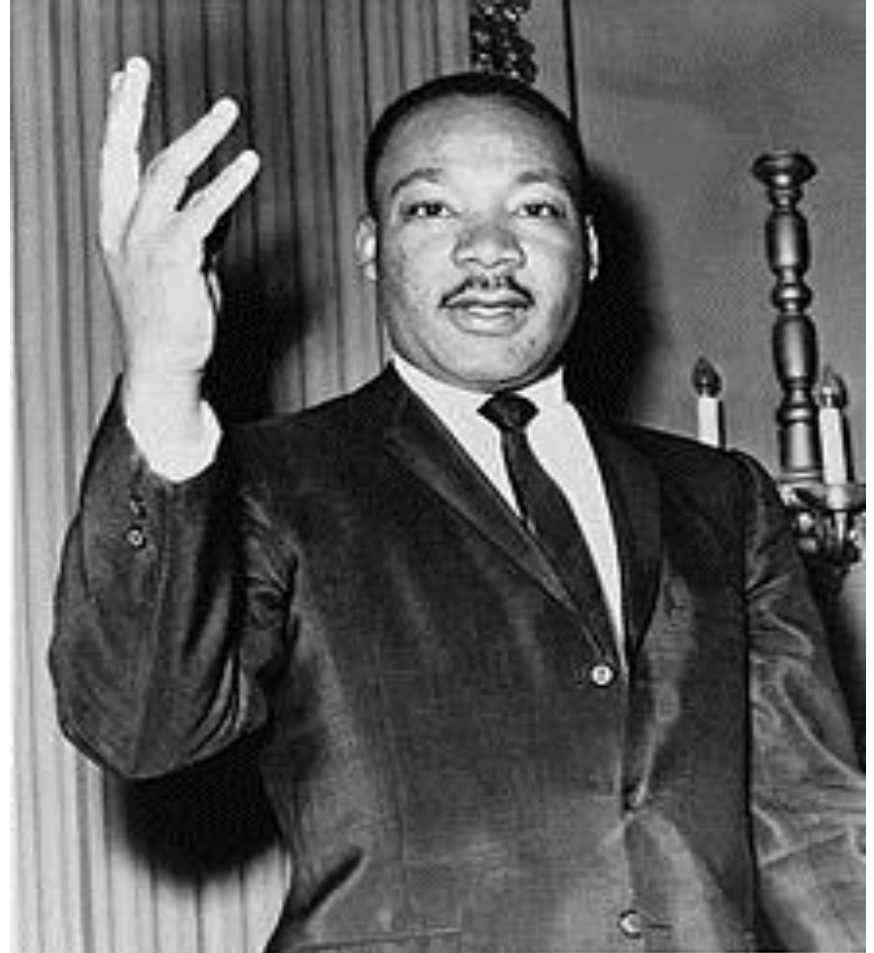
# Martin Luther King, Jr.

## A VERY IMPORTANT PERSON

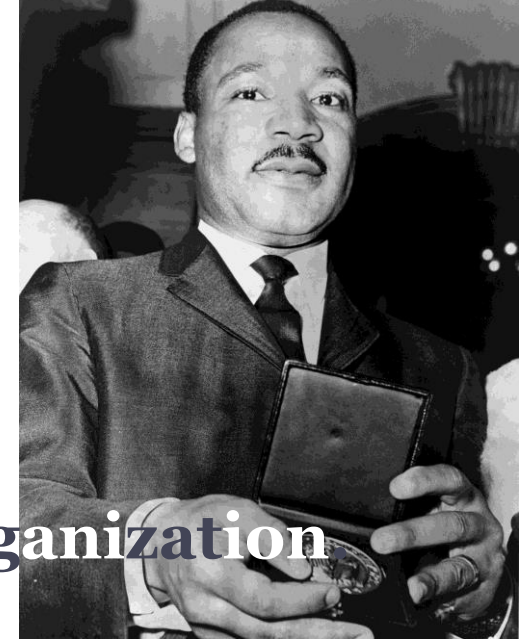
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## He was an American Baptist minister and activist

- The leader of the African-American Civil Rights Movement.
- He became a civil rights activist early in his career.
- King led an unsuccessful 1962 struggle against segregation in Albany, Georgia and helped organize the 1963 nonviolent protests in Alabama.

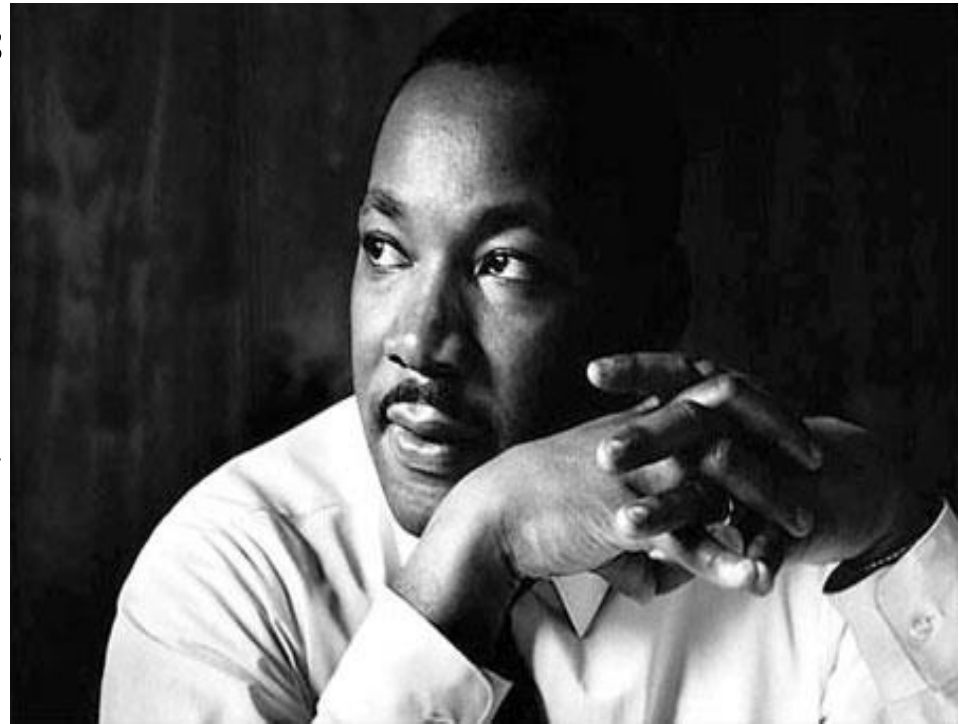


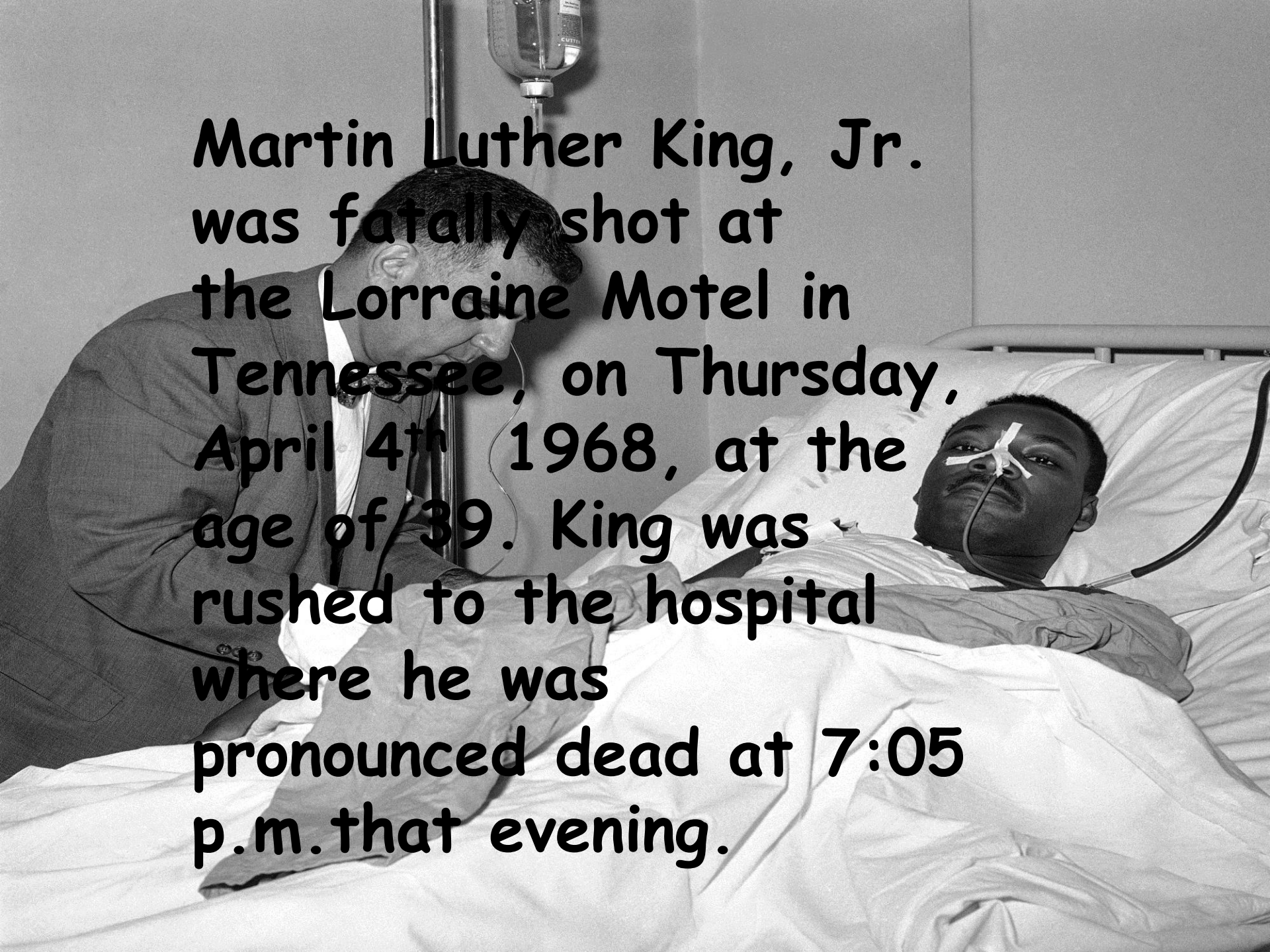
- On October 14<sup>th</sup> 1964, King received the Nobel Peace Prize.
- He helped to organize the Selma to Montgomery marches, and the following year he and SCLC took the movement north to Chicago.
- He also helped to organize the 1963 March on Washington, where he delivered his famous "I Have a Dream" speech.



**\*SCLC : Southern Christian Leadership Conference, an American civil rights organization**

- In the final years of his life, King expanded his focus to include poverty and speak against the Vietnam War with a 1967 speech titled "Beyond Vietnam".
- In 1968, King was planning a national occupation of Washington be called the Poor People's Campaign, when he was assassinated.





**Martin Luther King, Jr. was fatally shot at the Lorraine Motel in Tennessee, on Thursday, April 4th 1968, at the age of 39. King was rushed to the hospital where he was pronounced dead at 7:05 p.m. that evening.**

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