


Emmett Till was a 14-year old African American boy who was murdered in August 1955.

Emmett was a Chicago, native and was visiting family in Money Mississippi, when accused of harassing a white women.

A few days later, family members of the woman kidnaped Till, brutally beating and killing him before dumping his body in a river nearby.



In September of 1955 an all-white jury found Bryant not guilty of Till's kidnapping and murder.

Emmett's devastated mother insisted on a public, open-casket funeral to show the violence on blacks in the South.

