

Arkansas Black History Online

Lynchings in Arkansas from 1860 to 1936.

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Of the 318 lynchings total, 224 were of black males, 88 of white males, and six of black females.

Date	Name	County	Race/Gender	Reason
5-2-1860	(unreported)	Washington	black male	murder of master
8-28-1868	Dan Humphries	White	black male	member of Dem. org.
5-22-1869	William Clossen	Arkansas	white male	murder
9-15-1869	Jeff Johnson	Prairie	black male	rape
12-8-1869	_____ Gifford	Franklin	white male	assault
12-25-1870	_____ McDonald	Marion	white male	horse theft
8-18-1871	Frank Harris	Cross	black male	rape and murder
12-22-1871	Robert Norwood	Hempstead	white male	murder
1-27-1872	Elias Holt	Mississippi	white male	horse theft
5-7-1872	George Cole	Randolph	white male	spousal abuse
11-5-1873	Dock Eagle	Ashley	white male	attempted to catch thieves
11-5-1873	Will Eagle	Ashley	white male	attempted to catch thieves
11-5-1873	R. J. Eagle	Ashley	white male	attempted to catch thieves
8-3-1874	_____ Dumas	Sebastian	black male	murder
8-6-1874	William G. Harris	Logan	white male	horse theft
8-6-1874	Randolph Harris	Logan	white male	horse theft
8-6-1874	Robert Skidmore	Logan	white male	horse theft
6-28-1875	John Hogan	Pope	black male	assault of a white girl
7-20-1875	John Randolph	Mississippi	black male	robbery and murder
10-19-1875	_____ Dugan	Arkansas	white male	murder
8-24-1876	_____ Johnson	Monroe	white male	murder
6-23-1877	_____ Green	Ashley	black male	murder
7-14-1877	George Jackson	Ashley	black male	murder
8-6-1877	_____ Lebow	Polk	white male	horse theft and murder
9-22-1877	_____ Elligin	Arkansas	black male	murder
9-22-1877	_____ Anderson	Arkansas	black male	murder
10-4-1877	Henry A. Jackson	Desha	black male	murder
12-7-1877	Wash Atkinson	Clark	black male	murder
10-9-1878	William Solly	Jefferson	white male	(unreported)
10-26-1878	(unreported)	NW Ark.	white male	horse theft
10-26-1878	(unreported)	NW Ark.	white male	horse theft
11-6-1878	_____ Neely	Johnson	black male	rape
11-17-1878	(unreported)	Little River	white male	murder
1-26-1879	(unreported)	Clark	black male	murder
1-26-1879	(unreported)	Clark	black male	murder
1-26-1879	(unreported)	Clark	black male	murder
3-12-1879	Elias Henson	Clay	white male	horse theft
5-22-1879	_____ Yancey	Bradley	white male	horse theft

9-14-1879	Henry Owens	Monroe	white male	assault
5-28-1880	Dr. _____ Cromwell	Miller	black male	attempted rape
10-6-1880	_____ Rowland	Jackson	white male	murder
10-6-1880	_____ Dickson	Jackson	white male	murder
1-10-1881	Jerry Ramsey	Lee	white male	attempted rape
1-18-1881	Sharpe McNeil	Lincoln	white male	murder
5-25-1881	(unreported)	Sevier	black male	murder
5-25-1881	(unreported)	Sevier	black male	murder
5-25-1881	(unreported)	Sevier	black male	murder
6-13-1881	Cal Embry	Pope	white male	rape and murder
7-9-1881	Henry Smith	Searcy	black male	murder
9-10-1881	Henry Allen	Jackson	white male	(unreported)
9-12-1881	J. F. Bruce	Yell	white male	murder
9-12-1881	John Taylor	Yell	white male	murder
10-31-1881	Charles Jones	Johnson	black male	attempted rape
11-23-1881	Jim Holland	Yell	white male	murder
6-4-1882	(unreported)	Lonoke	black male	rape
6-4-1882	(unreported)	Lonoke	black male	rape
6-4-1882	(unreported)	Lonoke	black male	rape
8-25-1882	Frank Lane	Crawford	white male	murder
3-31-1883	Albert Williams	Union	black male	rape
5-25-1883	Joseph Young (a/k/a James)	Little River	black male	rape
5-26-1883	(unreported)	Lee	black male	arson
8-4-1883	_____ Barker (a/k/a Baker)	Grant	white male	murder
9-8-1883	John Coker	Yell	white male	aiding an outlaw
9-8-1883	Dr. _____ Flood	Yell	white male	aiding an outlaw
10-16-1883	Wyatt Ames	Stone	black male	murder
2-20-1884	Thoman Wilson	Faulkner	black male	attempted rape
7-28-1884	Dan C. Oliver	Logan	black male	attempted rape
9-10-1884	_____ Orton	Pulaski	white male	arson
7-23-1885	David Scruggs	Jefferson	black male	incest
9-2-1885	George Crenshaw	Lafayette	black male	murder
9-6-1885	_____ Polk (bros.; a/k/a Ford)	Pike	white male	murder
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10-20-1885	_____ Churchill	Pike	white male	murder
10-26-1886	James Page	Searcy	white male	murder
10-26-1886	_____ Moore	Searcy	white male	murder
12-1-1886	Buck Hunter	Drew	black male	assault
12-16-1886	James Howard	Miller	white male	spousal abuse
1-20-1887	_____ Hamilton	Bradley	white male	murder
1-20-1887	_____ Ludberry	Bradley	white male	murder
5-21-1887	Andrew Springer	Lawrence	black male	rape
6-5-1887	Leach Magee	Monroe	black male	rape
6-30-1887	Henry Hamilton	Bradley	white male	murder
7-25-1887	William Morrison	Carroll	white male	child abuse
8-1-1887	Leonard Boyd	Jackson	white male	murder
12-29-1887	William Herrig	Clay	white male	murder
6-10-1888	_____ Bryson	Yell	white male	attempted rape
8-24-1888	_____ Graves	Sevier	black male	rape
10-9-1888	John Kirkland	Ashley	white male	desperado
1-13-1889	Dan Reynolds	Phillips	black male	jilted a girl
5-20-1889	Americus Neely	St. Francis	black male	murder and politics
12-15-1889	(unreported)	Pulaski	white male	robbery and murder

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12-31-1889	(unreported)	Phillips	black male	robbery and murder
1-1-1890	(unreported)	Phillips	black male	complicity in murder
2-13-1890	George Corvett	Crittenden	white male	rape and murder
2-14-1890	Henry Larkin	Ouachita	black male	murder
6-3-1890	Joe Parrent	Yell	white male	murder
8-12-1890	William Beaver	Bradley	black male	rape
6-23-1891	Henry Jones	Ashley	black male	murder
7-8-1891	James Bailey	White	black male	rape
7-19-1891	John Farmer	Chicot	black male	murder
9-29-1891	(unreported)	Lee	black male	cotton pickers' strike
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10-1-1891	Edward Peyton	Lee	black male	rioting
10-1-1891	Ben Patterson	Lee	black male	rioting
11-7-1891	William Rice	Conway	black male	(unreported)
12-12-1891	(unreported)	Nevada	white male	attempted rape
12-21-1891	J. M. Smith	Arkansas	white male	murder
12-21-1891	Floyd Gregory	Arkansas	white male	murder
12-21-1891	Mose Henderson	Arkansas	black male	murder
2-8-1892	Jim Beavers	Drew	black male	assaulted a woman
2-10-1892	Hamp Bisco	Lonoke	black male	politics
2-10-1892	son of Hamp Bisco	Lonoke	black male	politics
2-10-1892	wife of Hamp Bisco	Lonoke	black female	politics
2-14-1892	John Kelley	Jefferson	black male	murder
2-14-1892	Gilbert Banks	Jefferson	black male	accomplice to murder
2-20-1892	Edward Coy	Miller	black male	rape
2-23-1892	George Harris	Lincoln	black male	murder
5-13-1892	Henry James	Pulaski	black male	rape
5-21-1892	Charles Stewart	Perry	white male	murder
5-30-1892	____ MacArthur	Perry	white male	advising murder
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6-29-1892	(unreported)	Cross	black male	criminal assault
6-30-1892	Robert Donnelly	Lee	black male	rape (black mob)
7-14-1892	Julius Mosely	Desha	black male	rape
7-30-1892	Eugene Baker	Ashley	black male	shot a man
8-8-1892	Robert Jordan	Ouachita	black male	insulted a woman
8-22-1892	____ Bowles	Clark	black male	criminal assault
12-9-1892	Preacher Lightfoot	Jackson	black male	fraud
1-10-1893	Paul Stubbs	Monroe	black male	murder and robbery
1-10-1893	Henry Allen	Monroe	black male	murder and robbery
4-19-1893	Flanegan Thornton	Conway	black male	murder
5-8-1893	Abe Craine	Ouachita	black male	murder and robbery
5-8-1893	Doc Benson	Ouachita	black male	murder and robbery

5-8-1893	Jim Stewart	Ouachita	black male	murder and robbery
7-15-1893	John Cotton	Lincoln	black male	attempted rape
8-5-1893	Will McClendon	Woodruff	black male	murder
11-13-1893	David T. Nelson	Lincoln	black male	murder
12-2-1893	Robert Greenwood	Cross	black male	(unreported)
2-9-1894	Henry Bruce	Van Buren	white male	murder and robbery
2-9-1894	Robert Plunkett	Van Buren	white male	murder and robbery
2-9-1894	Charles Plunkett	Van Buren	white male	murder and robbery
2-27-1894	Anderson Carter	Baxter	white male	murder and robbery
2-27-1894	Bud Montgomery	Baxter	white male	murder and robbery
5-21-1894	J. H. Webster	St. Francis	white male	arrested whitecappers ¹
6-22-1894	Henry Capus	Columbia	black male	attempted rape
7-11-1894	(unreported)	(unreported)	black male	(unreported)
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9-22-1894	Luke Washington	Desha	black male	murder
9-22-1894	Rich. Washington	Desha	black male	murder
9-22-1894	Henry C. Robinson	Desha	black male	murder
12-11-1894	(unreported)	Howard	black male	rape
6-17-1895	Rev. Frank King	Ashley	black male	adultery and shooting
7-14-1895	Jack Ware	Calhoun	black male	murder
7-14-1895	Jim Ware	Calhoun	black male	murder
8-22-1895	James Jones	Drew	black male	murder
9-10-1895	Will Caldwell	Mississippi	black male	murder and robbery
9-10-1895	John Thomas	Mississippi	black male	murder and robbery
11-3-1895	Albert England	Faulkner	white male	burglary
4-18-1896	Jefferson Gardner	Bradley	black male	rape
7-30-1896	Godfrey Gould	Monroe	white male	assault (rape)
7-24-1897	_____ Crownover	Saline	white male	theft
8-23-1897	Bill W. Douglass (a/k/a Wyatt)	Izard	black male	murder
9-11-1897	D. T. Watson	Faulkner	black male	race prejudice
10-13-1897	Thomas Parker	Cleveland	black male	murder
11-14-1897	Henry Phillips (a/k/a Jones)	Mississippi	black male	murder
12-6-1897	James Murray	Sebastian	white male	arrested a coal miner
3-12-1898	(unreported)	Stone	black male	burglary
4-2-1898	William Mercer	Cleburne	white male	rape and murder
6-3-1898	Ben Hayden	Miller	black male	assault (rape)
6-12-1898	Father of Ricks	Monroe	black male	complicity in rape
6-13-1898	Moses Ricks	Monroe	black male	rape
7-4-1898	Goode Gray	Cleveland	black male	murder
7-14-1898	James Redd	Drew	black male	murder
7-14-1898	Alexander Johnson	Drew	black male	murder
8-10-1898	Manse Castle	Monroe	black male	murder
8-10-1898	Dennis Ricord	Monroe	black male	murder
8-10-1898	Will Sanders	Monroe	black male	murder
8-10-1898	Rilla Weaver	Monroe	black female	murder
3-18-1899	General Duckett	Little River	black male	murder
3-21-1899	Edward Goodwin	Little River	black male	threatened whites
3-22-1899	Moses Jones	Little River	black male	threatened whites
3-22-1899	Joseph King	Little River	black male	threatened whites
4-17-1899	W. H. Hardin	Van Buren	white male	murder
4-30-1899	Willis Sees	Mississippi	black male	barn-burning
7-7-1899	Bud Brake	Clay	white male	complicity in murder
7-23-1899	Chick Davis	Ashley	black male	murder

5-?-1900	John Brodie	Lee	black male	murderous assault
5-25-1900	S. A. Jenkins	White	black male	robbery
6-17-1900	Nat Mullens	Crittenden	black male	murder
6-18-1900	William Woodward	Searcy	white male	murder
2-20-1901	Peter Berryman	Polk	black male	assault
3-22-1901	George Shivery	Randolph	white male	murder
4-5-1901	May Hearn	Mississippi	white male	murder
5-12-1901	Lee Key	Johnson	black male	terrorism
7-29-1901	_____ Siegler	Nevada	black male	murder
3-9-1902	Hosey McCoy	Little River	black male	rape
7-27-1902	Lee Newton	Columbia	black male	attempted rape
9-3-1902	Hog Wilson	Ouachita	black male	attempted rape
10-20-1902	Charles Young	St. Francis	black male	rape and murder
11-20-1902	Isaac Wells	Cross	black male	assault
4-6-1903	John Turner	Bradley	black male	attempted rape
4-23-1903	Alex Thompson	Clark	black male	assault
7-20-1903	Crane Green	Jefferson	black male	assault (rape)
7-22-1903	John Gilbert	Crittenden	black male	murder
9-18-1903	_____ Hellom	Mississippi	black male	assault
10-5-1903	Edward McCollum	Grant	black male	murderous assault
11-3-1903	Henry Johnson	Chicot	black male	murder
11-8-1903	Zallie C. Cade	Monroe	white male	murder
2-19-1904	Glenco Bays (a/k/a Days)	Ashley	black male	murder
3-24-1904	Aaron Hinton	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Randall Flood	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Will Baldwin	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Will Madison	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Kellis Johnson	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	James Smith	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Charles Smith	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Mack Baldwin	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Abe Bailey	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-24-1904	Garrett Flood	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-25-1904	Perry Carter	Arkansas	black male	race riot
3-26-1904	Henry Griffin	Arkansas	black male	assault
3-26-1904	Walker Griffin	Arkansas	black male	assault
8-30-1904	_____ Stover	Union	white male	(unreported)
8-30-1904	Smead Smith	Union	black male	frightened a woman
8-30-1904	_____ Bates	Union	black female	(unreported)
9-4-1904	(unreported)	Ashley	black male	assault
12-31-1904	Louis Allwhite	Jackson	white male	rape and murder
12-31-1904	White Jetton	Hempstead	black male	shooting
4-17-1905	John Barnett	Lee	black male	murder
7-5-1905	Joe Woodman	Drew	black male	eloped with a white girl
9-22-1905	Frank Brown	Faulkner	black male	rape and murder
7-8-1906	William Anderson	Drew	black male	robbery and assault
10-7-1906	H. Blackman	Pulaski	black male	mistaken identity
10-9-1906	Anthony Davis	Miller	black male	attempted rape
3-18-1907	(unreported)	Lafayette	black female	assault
3-18-1907	(unreported)	Lafayette	black female	assault
6-19-1908	Ernest Williams	Ashley	black male	obscene language
1-18-1909	John Dillard	Hempstead	black male	attempted assault
5-24-1909	Lovett Davis	Jefferson	black male	robbery and assault

5-29-1909	Joseph Blakely	Ashley	black male	brother of murderer
12-19-1909	George Bailey	Prairie	black male	shooting
3-18-1910	Robert Austin	Crittenden	black male	jailbreak
3-18-1910	Charles Richardson	Crittenden	black male	jailbreak
3-25-1910	Judge Jones	Jefferson	black male	harassed a white woman
4-5-1910	Frank Pride	Lonoke	black male	murder
4-5-1910	Laura Mitchell	Lonoke	black female	murder
5-13-1910	Dock McClain	Little River	black male	assault
6-13-1910	William Hunter	Lincoln	black male	assaulted a woman
7-5-1910	(unreported)	White	black male	mistaken identity
7-6-1910	Sam Powell	Union	black male	robbery and arson
12-26-1910	Oscar Chitwood	Garland	white male	murder
9-9-1911	Arthur Dean	Woodruff	black male	murder and rape
9-27-1911	Charles Malpass	Desha	white male	father of murderer
10-16-1911	Nathan Lacey	St. Francis	black male	attempted rape
10-17-1911	Charles Lewis	Hempstead	black male	threats
3-24-1912	Sanford Lewis	Sebastian	black male	murder
7-4-1912	John Williams	Conway	black male	murder
8-19-1912	Monroe Franklin	Pope	black male	assault and rape
6-19-1913	Will Norman	Garland	black male	murder and attempted rape
10-25-1914	Howard Davis	Jackson	black male	murder
3-2-1915	H. M. Candy (a/k/a Gandy)	Monroe	black male	theft
3-2-1915	Jeff Mansel	Monroe	black male	theft
6-15-1915	Loy Haley	Lafayette	black male	murder
7-8-1915	Warren Fox	Crittenden	black male	murder
8-11-1915	Bert Springs	Mississippi	black male	murder
8-12-1915	Andy Crum	Mississippi	white male	murder
12-3-1915	William Patrick	St. Francis	black male	murder
1-15-1916	Will Warren	Garland	black male	slapped white boys
5-26-1916	Felix M. Gilmore	Nevada	black male	attempted assault
8-9-1916	(unreported)	Arkansas	black male	attempted rape
10-8-1916	Frank Dodd	Arkansas	black male	insulted women
2-8-1917	James Smith	Crittenden	black male	murder
7-30-1917	Andrew Avery	Little River	black male	robbery and assault
8-8-1917	Aaron Jimerson	Little River	black male	shooting
9-13-1917	Samuel Gates	Lonoke	black male	indecenty with girls
12-18-1918	Willis Robinson	Jackson	black male	murder
1-30-1919	John Kelfer (a/k/a Keifer)	Newton	white male	murder
4-23-1919	Samuel McIntyre	St. Francis	black male	murder
5-21-1919	Frank Livingston	Union	black male	murder
6-13-1919	Clyde Ellison	Lincoln	black male	attempted rape
9-1-1919	Clinton Briggs	Lincoln	black male	indecent proposals
10-20-1919	Alexander Wilson	Lee	black male	murder
11-11-1919	Jordan Jameson	Columbia	black male	murder
11-20-1919	T. T. Lee	Baxter	white male	murder
12-26-1920	Wade Thomas	Craighead	black male	murder
1-26-1921	Henry Lowery	Mississippi	black male	murder
3-15-1921	Brownie Tuggles	Hempstead	black male	rape
3-22-1921	Phillip Slater	Drew	black male	assaulted a woman
5-11-1921	Leroy Smith	Desha	black male	assaulted a couple
11-18-1921	William Turner	Phillips	black male	rape
11-23-1921	Robert Hicks	Chicot	black male	wrote to a white girl
2-4-1922	Harry Harrison	Hot Spring	black male	frightened girls

5-19-1922	Hullen Owen	Miller	black male	murder
7-28-1922	John West	Hempstead	black male	quarrel with a white man
8-1-1922	Bunk Harris	Garland	black male	burglary and assault
12-9-1922	Less Smith	Conway	black male	murderous assault
1-16-1923	E. C. Gregor	Boone	white male	railroad striker
8-10-1923	Edward Brock	Union	black male	insulted a woman
5-29-1925	George _____	Ouachita	black male	attempted rape
5-26-1926	Albert Blades	Mississippi	black male	attacked a girl
8-11-1926	Charles Powell	Lafayette	black male	murder
10-30-1926	Bud Nelson	Jefferson	black male	murder
5-4-1927	John Carter ⁱⁱ	Pulaski	black male	attacked women
6-8-1927	Owens Fleming	Phillips	black male	murder
8-25-1927	Winston Pounds	Ashley	black male	attempted rape
9-15-1932	Frank Tucker	Ashley	black male	assaulted a police officer
4-29-1936	Willie Kees	Poinsett	black male	attempted rape

ⁱ Whitecappers were members of self-appointed vigilance groups who used lynch-law methods to drive away or coerce people. Some early whitecappers wore white hoods or masks.

ⁱⁱ See also "The Lynching of John Carter" in *Photographs and Illustrations.*)