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POET, WRITER, HUMANITARIAN**

***MISS GWENDOLYN BROOKS
1917-2000***



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Gwendolyn Brooks
Writer, Poet, Humanitarian
(1917-2000)

Miss Brooks was born on June 17, 1917, in Topeka, Kansas, to David Anderson Brooks and Keziah Corinne Wims Brooks. She mostly lived in Chicago. She began to compose poetry when she was eleven, nurtured by loving parents who gave her a love of songs, stories and learning.

Miss Brooks attended predominantly white high schools. She formed friendships along with her love of poetry from other poets such as T. S. Eliot, Ezra Pound and Wallace Stevens. At the age of sixteen, Miss Brooks met Langston Hughes, who encouraged her and read poetry to her. After graduating from high school Miss Brooks went to Woodrow Wilson Jr. College. She met and married Henry Lowington Blakely II after graduating from college.

Miss Brooks' first book of poetry, *A Sonnet in Bronzeville*, received highly favorable reviews and brought her the attention of other black writers. Her book titled *Annie Allen* won the Pulitzer Prize for poetry in 1950. She was the first black to receive this award. Her autobiographical novel, *Maud Martha*, was published in 1953 and in 1956 her first book of children's poetry, *Bronzeville Boys and Girls*, was published. She also continued writing about the events occurring in the world at the time (e.g. Birmingham, Johannesburg, etc.)

This bibliography is a compilation of materials by and about Miss Brooks: dissertations, magazine articles, biography and criticisms, books, and ERIC documents.

Miss Brooks died in 2000 at the age of 83. Her papers were given to the University of California at Berkley. We will continue to remember her works and literary contributions.

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