

Natchez National Historical Park



Richard Wright

Writing about Racism

Born: September 4, 1908
Roxie, MS

Died: November 28, 1960
Paris, France

Born on the Rucker Plantation near Natchez, Richard Wright was an important American author of novels and short stories. Most of his work described the difficulties faced by African Americans in the segregated South of the 1900s. His most important books were *Native Son* and *Black Boy*, a story about his childhood in Mississippi.

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