

A black and white portrait of Crispus Attucks, a young man with dark hair, wearing a dark suit jacket and a white shirt with a dark cravat. He is looking slightly to the right of the viewer with a neutral expression. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey.

Crispus Attucks

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Who He Was

- He was the first casualty of the American Revolution. He was shot at the Boston Massacre.
- He was considered an leader and instigator of the Boston massacre.
- He was born 1723 and died 1770 in Boston Massachusetts.
- Many people now remember for his fight for independence in America
- He was born into slavery and escaped on September 30, 1750
- Attucks worked for equality and freedom before he died
- Was thought to be a multiethnic. (Half African American and half Native American)

Freedom earned when he was 27

Spent 20 years free

Naming Our School

His name fits our rubric for naming because he worked to protect our country, equality, and freedom. He died trying to achieve those goals and is remembered for his commitment to these reasons. And fought for his country even though it wasn't completely on his side. It could help people see more stories about slaves who fought for freedom and equality.

Crispus Attucks Overall

Crispus Attucks was born 1723 in Framingham MA. He was born a slave and eventually escaped bondage in 1750. He was one of the 5,000 black soldiers who fought for their country even when it wasn't on their side. He is most remembered for being the first person killed in the Boston Massacre. I think that he would be a good candidate because he died standing up for what he believed in.