

# Harry S Truman National Historic Site



# Ending Segregation in the Military

On July 26, 1948, President Harry Truman issued Executive Order 9981, which ended segregation in the military based on race, color, religion, or national origin. Truman's order was the first major blow to segregation, and a great victory for civil rights. It also gave real hope that more change was possible.

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