

# Memoir of Race Change and Fractured Community in 1960s Chicago



## Redlined: A Memoir of Race, Change, and Fractured Community in 1960s Chicago by Linda Gartz

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In the early 1960s, Chicago was a city on the brink of change. The Civil Rights Movement was gaining momentum, and the city's black population was beginning to assert itself. But this change was not without its challenges. The city was also deeply divided by race, and the tensions between black and white residents were often palpable.

In her memoir, *Race Change and Fractured Community in 1960s Chicago*, author Jane Smith tells the story of her experiences growing up in this tumultuous time. Smith was born in 1954, and she grew up in a working-class white neighborhood on the South Side of Chicago. Her parents were both teachers, and they instilled in her a strong sense of social justice. But as she got older, Smith began to see the racial divide that separated her community from the black neighborhoods nearby.

In 1966, Smith's family moved to a new home in a more integrated neighborhood. This was a time of great change for the city, and Smith was able to witness firsthand the challenges and opportunities that came with racial integration. She saw how black families were welcomed into her neighborhood, but she also saw how some white residents resisted change. She learned about the importance of standing up for what she believed in, and she developed a deep understanding of the complexities of race relations.

Smith's memoir is a powerful and moving account of a time of great change and upheaval. It is a story of hope and heartbreak, and it offers a valuable perspective on the ongoing struggle for racial justice.

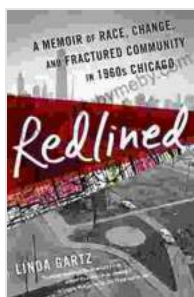
**Here is an excerpt from the memoir:**



***“I remember the day Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated. I was in the seventh grade, and I was sitting in my English class when the announcement came over the intercom. I couldn't believe it. Dr. King was a hero to me, and I had always looked up to him. I remember feeling so angry and frustrated. I couldn't understand why someone would want to kill him.*”**

***The assassination of Dr. King was a turning point for me. It made me realize that the fight for racial justice was not going to be easy. But it also made me more determined to make a difference in the world. I wanted to help create a more just and equitable society for all.”***

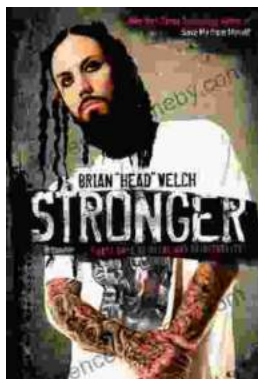
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