

# Linda Brown's Story

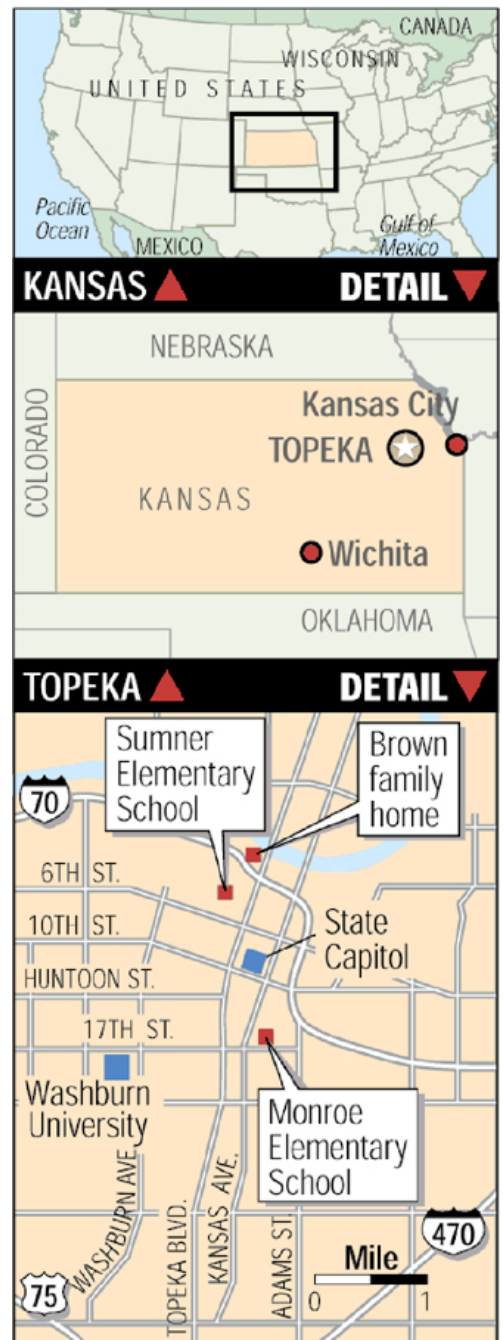


Ten year-old Linda Carol Brown -- the named plaintiff in *Brown v. Board of Education* -- is captured (on the left) with her six year old sister Terry Lynn on their way to the all-black Monroe School in Topeka, Kansas, a little over a year before the momentous 1954 Supreme Court decision in their favor. Unable to attend the nearby all-white Sumner School because of Jim Crow restrictions, Linda and Terry were forced to navigate the hazardous Rock Island Railroad Switchyard to get to the bus stop for the ride to Monroe.

## BROWN CASE

### A LONG TRIP

Linda Brown was forced to attend the all-black Monroe Elementary School even though Sumner Elementary was much closer to her home.



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