Rosa Parks

04 Feb 1913 - 24 Oct 2005.

Activist









Rosa Louise McCauley Parks (February 4, 1913 - October 24, 2005) was an American activist in the civil rights movement best known for her pivotal role in the Montgomery bus boycott. Parks rejected a bus driver's order to give up her seat in the "colored section" to a white passenger after the whites-only section was filled. The United States Congress has called her "the first lady of civil rights" and "the mother of the freedom movement".