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met Roy Bryant when was The couple married
two years later in at At the time of Till's death, was b6
stood and weighed
After Roy Bryant's acquittal for murdering Till, the couple moved to The couple
During their marriage, they had children, boys and girl. One son,
Roy Bryant Jr., died in 1995. and currently lives with
A son, and
another son,
and the For purposes of clarity is referred
to as throughout this report is currently
and resides in
Roy Bryant was born on January 31, 1931 in Charleston, Tallahatchie County, Mississippi.
In 1955 Bryant was twenty-four years old, weighed one hundred-ninety pounds and was six feet tall.
Bryant served in the U.S. Army with the 82nd Airborne Division as a paratrooper, enlisting in June
1950 and serving until his discharge in 1953. During August 1955 Roy and co- b7c
owned and operated Bryant's Grocery & Meat Market, located in the town of Money, Leflore
County, and resided in living quarters located in the rear of the store. The business was owned by
Roy Bryant and his half-brother, J.W. Milam. Roy Bryant also worked part-time for J.W. Milam,
driving truck and delivering goods.
While living in Orange, Texas Roy Bryant was trained in welding, at which he worked for
many years. After the Roy Bryant moved back to Mississippi and b6
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remarried in 1980 to In his later years, Roy Bryant went partially blind from his
earlier welding work and operated a store in Ruleville, Mississippi. Bryant was convicted in the
Northern District of Mississippi on Food Stamp Fraud violations in 1984 and 1988.
Bryant died of cancer on September
1, 1994.