Alan Shepard Jr.

1923–1998

- U.S. Navy test pilot
- member of the Mercury 7, the first group of U.S. astronauts
- first U.S. astronaut to travel in space
- commander of Apollo 14, which included a moon landing in 1971

Alphonse “Al” Capone

1899–1947

- notorious Prohibition-era gangster
- Chicago’s crime boss in the late 1920s
- sentenced to prison for tax evasion in 1931

American Indian Movement

- Native American civil rights group active from 1968 to 1978
- took over Alcatraz Island in protest, 1969–1971
- occupied Wounded Knee in protest for 71 days in 1973

Andrew “Rube” Foster

1879–1930

- American baseball player, manager, and owner
- founder of the Negro National League, the first successful baseball league for Black players
- president of the Negro National League, 1920–1926

Andrew Johnson

1808–1875

- U.S. representative from Tennessee, 1843–1853
- U.S. senator from Tennessee, 1857–1862 and 1875
- U.S. president, 1865–1869
- first U.S. president to be impeached

Anna May Wong

1905–1961

- first Chinese American film star
- appeared in over 60 movies
- made the transition from silent movies to Technicolor films

Annie L. Diggs

1848–1916

- Populist reformer and organizer
- newspaper editor and writer
- instrumental in the formation of the People's Party in 1892

Bessie Coleman

1892–1926

- female aviator
- first Black and Native American woman to earn a U.S. pilot's license
- famous performer in air shows

Booker T. Washington

1856–1915

- Black leader and speaker
- founded what is now Tuskegee University in 1881
- founded the National Negro Business League in 1900
- advocated for Black people working hard to lift themselves up

Buzz Aldrin

born 1930

- U.S. Air Force combat pilot
- U.S. astronaut who completed three space walks in 1966
- member of NASA's 1969 Apollo 11 mission to the moon
- second person to walk on the moon