TIMELINE OF THE NEGRO LEAGUES

December 12, 1868 - Integrated baseball teams were abolished.

February 13, 1920 - The National Negro League was founded. Led by Rube Foster, owner, and manager of the Chicago American Giants, the NNL was established by a coalition of team owners at a meeting in a Kansas City YMCA.

1885 - The Cuban Giants were formed. They were the first-ever Black professional team.

1923 - Ed Bolden founded the Eastern Color League.

1933 - A new Negro National League was formed.

April 15, 1947 - Jackie Robinson broke the color line when he made his major league debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers.

1937 - the Negro American League was chartered.

1948 - The Negro National League was disbanded.