

Ensley

Ensley is a predominantly black populated city in the U.S. It was founded by Memphis Entrepreneur, Enoch Ensley in 1886 as an industrial city. The city would later become the home of the mammoth Ensley Works which was operated by Tennessee Coal Iron & Railroad Company, which was a division of U.S. Steel after 1907. The city would later be annexed into Birmingham in 1910.

Birmingham, however, is the most populous city in the state of Alabama.

Ensley in the 19th and early 20th century was the home of the world-class steel production, open-hearth blast furnaces that could rival the production done anywhere in the world, and modern sanitary sewer system along with a highly organized grid of commercial and residential properties.

Remember “Tuxedo junction”, the famous song by Glen Miller? It was inspired by the excitement of Ensley.

Tuxedo Junction was once the bubbling life of Birmingham and surrounding areas, with social and vibrant nightlife that it offered. Plant workers and passers-by’s would visit and enjoy a good time here.

Ensley Highlands

Ensley Highlands is one of the neighborhoods in Birmingham’s Ensley community. It has a population of about 4,652 people. It is run by the President of an association known as the Ensley Highlands Neighborhood Association. The name of the President is Lynette Peters. They usually meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at Five Points West Library on Avenue W.