# Nelson Algren

WALKING TOUR



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# **Chicago Map & Legend**

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## "FICTIONAL" LOCATIONS

- 1 ST STANISLAUS KOSTKA CURCH Noble & Evergreen Called "St. Wencelaus Kostka" in GOLDEN ARM
- WIEBOLDT'S DEPARTMENT STORE 1291-99 N. Milwaukee Fictionalized as "Niebolt's," this is where Frankie & Sparrow bungle an attempted shoplifting in GOLDEN ARM
- GOLDBLATT BROS. DEPARTMENT STORE 1615 W. Chicago Mentioned by name in some stories in NEON WILDERNESS; in other NEON stories & GOLDEN ARM it is fictionalized as "Gold's"

#### "REAL" LOCATIONS

- 1 ST JOHN CANTIUS CHURCH Chicago/Milwaukee/Ogden Mentioned in Bottle of Milk for Mother in NEON WILDERNESS, & in NEVER COME MORNING as the "parish church of Steffi"
- 2 ST STEPHEN CHURCH Augusta & Damen This is where Frankie & Sophie got married in GOLDEN ARM
- 3 ST BONIFACE CHURCH Chestnut & Noble Bruno Bicek's parish church in NEVER COME MORNING
- 4 ECKHART PARK Chicago & Noble The "turf" of the various characters in NEVER COME MORNING
- 5 OLD COURT HOUSE & JAIL Hubbard & Dearborn Original Chicago gallows. Mentioned in several Algren stories
- **6** LAKE & PAULINA STREETS Mentioned in GOLDEN ARM as part of the neighborhood where Molly O. lived and worked
- 7 RIVERVIEW Western & Belmont Bruno & Steffi, in NEVER COME MORNING, spend a fun-filled afternoon that ends in tragedy
- 8 CHICAGO MENTAL HEALTH CENTER Irving Park & Oak Park Ave Sophie was "committed" here in the last chapters of GOLDEN ARM

#### **RESIDENCES AND SCHOOLS**

- 1 7139 S KING DRIVE Family Home 1913-20
- 2 ST COLUMBANUS CHURCH 71st & Calumet

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- 3 PARK MANOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 70th & Rhodes
- 4834 N TROY Family Home 1921-34
- 5 HIBBARD SCHOOL 3244 W Ainslie
- 6 737 N RUSH Early Apartment
- **7** 35TH & COTTAGE GROVE Neighborhood in the 30's
- 8 2717 W LAWRENCE Apartment in the 40's
- 9 1523 W WABANSIA Lived with Simon de Beauvoir, demolished
- 10 1815 W DIVISION Apartment above Millers Lumber Store, mid 50's
- 11 301 W WISCONSIN / 1852 N LINCOLN PARK WEST Owner for 1 year
- 12 1958 W EVERGREEN Lived third floor 1959-75

#### LIFE AND AFTER LIFE

- 65TH & KING DRIVE Practiced boxing in former gymnasium
- 2 U.S. CELLULAR FIELD 35<sup>th</sup> & Shields, Frequented old "Comiskey Park"
- 3 UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO Lectured in the 50's
- 4 3831 W LEXINGTON Home of friend Caesar Tabet
- **5** SERBIAN CLUB Evergreen & Wicker Park, Restaurant frequented
- 6 1440 N MILWAUKEE Lubeck's Bakery
- 1443 N MILWAUKEE Fresh poultry market
- 8 1548 N HONORE Home of friend Ed Balchowsky
- IOTTIE'S PUB 1925 W Cortland, Favorite bar
- 10 2039 W NORTH Former "Luxor Baths"
- 1564 N DAMEN Macan Engineering, owned by friend Stuart McCarrell
- 12 1801 W DIVISION Bopshop, former Algren Committee Head Quarters
- 13 MILWAUKEE / DIVISION / ASHLAND Nelson Algren Fountain
- 1516 N. MILWAUKEE Belgrade Restaurant

