

## Jim Thorpes Body Relatives of famed American Indian

athlete Jim Thorpe plan to go to court to win the return of his body from a Pennsylvania town that changed its name to provide him a final resting place - even though he never set foot there.

Jim Thorpe attended school in Carlisle, Pa. and later won gold medals in the 1912 Olympics and played pro baseball and football. His widow buried him in the eastern Pennsylvania borough after leaders vowed to change the town's name and build him a monument, which they did.

But family members want Thorpe reburied in Oklahoma. Their Missouri attorney says the suit to be filed this month in Philadelphia will cite a 1990 federal law requiring the return of American Indian cultural items and remains to their peoples. But Jim Thorpe Mayor Ronald Confer calls the idea "incredible" after a half-century that and predicts no one in the town will support it.

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