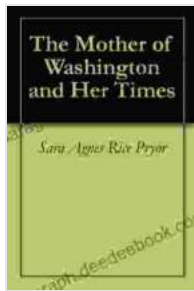


The Mother of Washington and Her Times

Early Life and Family

Mary Ball was born on November 1, 1708, in Lancaster County, Virginia. She was the daughter of Colonel Joseph Ball, a wealthy planter, and his wife, Mary Johnson Ball. Mary Ball grew up in a privileged household, and she received a good education for the time. She was well-read and intelligent, and she had a strong interest in history and politics.



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In 1729, Mary Ball married Augustine Washington, a widower who was 22 years her senior. Augustine Washington was a successful planter and merchant, and he owned a large estate in Westmoreland County, Virginia. Mary Ball and Augustine Washington had six children together, including George Washington, who was born in 1732.

Marriage and Motherhood

Mary Ball was a devoted wife and mother. She was responsible for raising her six children, and she instilled in them the values of hard work, honesty, and patriotism. Mary Ball was also a strong supporter of her husband's political career. Augustine Washington served in the Virginia House of Burgesses, and he was a delegate to the Continental Congress.

Mary Ball's husband died in 1743, when George Washington was just 11 years old. Mary Ball was forced to raise her children on her own, and she did so with great strength and determination. She managed her husband's estate, and she provided her children with a good education.

Later Years and Legacy

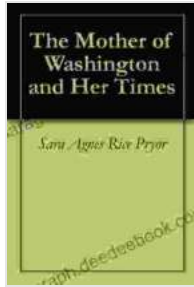
Mary Ball Washington lived a long and full life. She died on February 25, 1789, at the age of 80. She was buried next to her husband at Mount Vernon, the home of George Washington.

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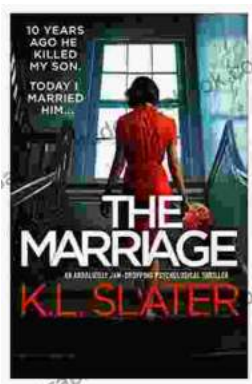
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