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The National First Ladies' Library

Brief History

In 1994 Mary Regula asked 13 local activist women to help her start an organization dedicated to the contributions of First Ladies. In January 1998 official announcement of formation of new national organization, National First Ladies' Library, announced at Renwick Gallery in Washington, D.C. Web site officially unveiled at press conference in East Room of White House in February 23, 1998. In September, 2011 Education and Research Centre was donated to the National Park Service and became part of the First Ladies National Historic Site. National First Ladies' Library remains as the managing and operating partner of the site for the National Park Service.

Scope and Coverage

- It covers first lady's biography, tribute.
- It updates each year a complete, annotated bibliography developed on First Ladies - from Martha Custis Washington to Michelle Lavaughn Robinson Obama.
- It compiles, assembles and produces complete curriculum enrichment units and study guides for classroom students on the contributions of First Ladies to American History.
- It plans and conducts seminars, workshops and lectures on the role of First Ladies and how it has changed over the centuries.
- It collects all the current and out-of-print books by and about First Ladies, as well as films, documentaries and other audio visual materials.
- It collects copies of First Ladies' letters, speeches and manuscripts dealing with the major social issues of their time, now scattered throughout the country of America.

Kind of Information

Each entry consists of date of birth, information about father and mother, ancestry, Birth Order and Siblings, Physical Appearance, Religious Affiliation, Education, Occupation before Marriage, Marriage, Occupation after Marriage, Presidential Campaign and Inauguration, education and also represents the information of being the first lady.

First Lady Biography: Michelle Obama



MICHELLE LAVAUGHN ROBINSON OBAMA

Birth:

Chicago, Illinois
17 January, 1964

**Michelle Obama is the third First Lady born in Chicago, Illinois, after Betty Ford (1918) and Hillary Clinton (1947).*

Although Nancy Reagan identifies herself as a Chicagoan she was born in Flushing, Queens, New York and spent her childhood in Bethesda, Maryland. Nancy Reagan did spend her adolescent and teenage years in Chicago where she was adopted by her stepfather to whom her mother had remarried.

Mary Lincoln also identified herself as a Chicagoan in the first years of her widowhood, having assumed residency in Chicago, first in rented quarters and then in purchasing a home there. She was born in Kentucky and spent her young adult years in Springfield, Illinois.

Father:

Fraser Robinson III, born 1 August 1935, Chicago, Illinois; City of Chicago Waterworks, pump worker and Democratic Party precinct captain (volunteer); died 6 March 1991

Mother:

Marian Shields Robinson, born July 1937, Chicago, Illinois; married to Fraser Robinson, 1960 in Chicago; a stay-at-home mother while her children were young, Mrs. Robinson later worked as secretary in the offices of Spiegel Catalogue until the 2008 presidential election

**Marian Robinson is only the third First Lady's mother to take up official residence in the White House, following Madge Wallace and Minnie Doud, the mothers of Bess Truman and Mamie Eisenhower, respectively. However, Juliana Gardiner and Emma Folsom, the mothers of Julia Tyler and Frances Cleveland, respectively, also made lengthy stays which might be*

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Title	Author	Year	Publisher/Publication	Notes
The Amateur	Klein, Edward	2012	Washington, D.C.: Regnery Publishing	Billed as an expose, this book, written by a conservative journalist, is a very critical look at Michelle and Barack Obama.
American Grown: The Story of the White House Kitchen Garden and Gardens Across America	Obama, Michelle	2012	New York: Crown	The richly illustrated story of how Michelle Obama and her daughters began the White House garden in an effort to spotlight her anti-obesity campaign. The book includes recipes and hints about gardening.
The American Journey of Barack Obama	Editors of Life Magazine	2008	Boston: Little, Brown and Company	A book of Life Magazine photographs, with essays from writers and intellectuals like Richard Norton Smith, Gay Talese, and Fay Weldon.
American Tapestry: The Story of the Black, White, and Multiracial Ancestors of Michelle Obama	Swarns, Rachel L.	2012	New York, New York: Amistad Press	This book tells the story of Michelle Obama's ancestry.
The Barack & Michelle Obama Paper Doll & Cut-out Book	Boswell, John	2009	Santa Ana, CA: Griffin	


- ❖ This also covers genealogical discoveries about First Lady.

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Michelle Obama's Slave Ancestry, Ann Romney's Atheist Immigrant Father & Presidential Identity Politics



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the White House as part of the First Family.

The recent news, emerging from the new book *American Tapestry: The Story of the Black, White, and Multiracial Ancestors of Michelle Obama*, by New York Times reporter Rachel L. Swarns, finally provides in a detailed history how the First Lady's ancestry, like that of millions of other African-Americans who have had ancestors who were both white slave-owners and black slaves.

In fact, through the two years of her in-depth research, Swarns discovered that in the families of all four of Mrs. Obama's grandparents there have been ancestors from a wide variety of cultures and nations, including Irish immigrants and Native Americans of the Cherokee tribe.

In the case of her maternal grandfather, his great-grandfather was Henry Wells Shields, a northern Georgia farmer who owned slaves, including a girl by the name of Melvinia, who was eight years old when she came to live and work on his land in 1852. Eight years later, it was his son, Charles Marion Shields, who at the age of about 20, had a child by Melvinia. Their son, Dolphus Shields was thus mixed-race, and is the great-great-grandfather of the First Lady and the great-grandfather of her mother, Marian Shields Robinson, who lives in

Swarns also discovered that the painful legacy of slavery so affected the subsequent generations of the First Lady's families that many members did not discuss the issue or pursue details about their white slave-owner and black slave ancestors. As the first presidential couple with both the racial ancestry and choice of identity as African-Americans, Barack Obama and Michelle Obama are culturally and politically significant simply by being the President or First Lady.

- ❖ The site presents press releases, press kit, NFLL News letter, NFLL articles
- ❖ It represents monthly calendar with birthday date of notable lady like-

National First Ladies' Library Monthly Calendar

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❖ Links to Library of Congress, History.com, www.whitehouse.gov etc.

Arrangement Pattern Arrangement of entries is in alphabetical order under First Ladies' Audio/Visual Collection.

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Remarks The National First Ladies' Library serves as a unique national resource for patrons from school children to serious scholars. As a national archive devoted to educating people about the contributions of First Ladies and other notable women in history.

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