Barbara Bush: The Matriarch of an American Dynasty



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Barbara Bush, the beloved matriarch of the Bush political dynasty, passed away on April 17, 2018, at the age of 92. She was a First Lady of the United States from 1989 to 1993, and the wife of former President George H. W. Bush. She was also the mother of former President George W. Bush and former Florida Governor Jeb Bush.

Barbara Bush was born Barbara Pierce in Rye, New York, on June 8, 1925. Her father was Marvin Pierce, a Wall Street stockbroker, and her mother was Pauline Robinson Pierce. She had two older brothers, Marvin and Scott.

Barbara attended the Rye Country Day School and then Smith College, where she graduated with a degree in sociology in 1947. After college, she

worked as a fashion editor for Vogue magazine.

In 1945, Barbara met George H. W. Bush at a Christmas dance. They were married in 1948 and had six children: George W., Robin, Jeb, Neil, Marvin, and Doro.

George H. W. Bush began his political career in 1966, when he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives. Barbara was a supportive wife and often campaigned for her husband.

In 1980, George H. W. Bush was elected Vice President of the United States under President Ronald Reagan. Barbara became Second Lady and continued to be a vocal advocate for her husband.

In 1988, George H. W. Bush was elected President of the United States. Barbara became First Lady and was known for her down-to-earth style and her commitment to literacy.

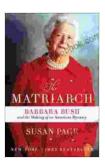
Barbara Bush was a tireless advocate for literacy. She founded the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy in 1989. The foundation provides grants to organizations that support adult literacy programs.

Barbara Bush also served as the Honorary Chair of the American Red Cross. She was a strong supporter of the military and often visited troops overseas.

Barbara Bush was a beloved figure in American politics. She was known for her wit, her charm, and her unwavering support for her family.

Barbara Bush passed away on April 17, 2018, at the age of 92. She was surrounded by her family and friends.

Barbara Bush was a remarkable woman who left a lasting legacy. She will be remembered as a loving wife, mother, and grandmother. She will also be remembered as a tireless advocate for literacy and a strong supporter of the military.



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