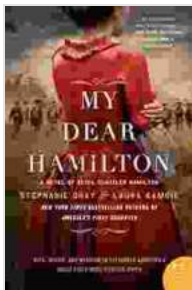


Eliza Schuyler Hamilton: A Revolutionary Woman in the Shadows

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton is one of the most fascinating and yet overlooked figures in American history. The wife of Alexander Hamilton, one of the Founding Fathers of the United States, Eliza played a pivotal role in the Revolution and beyond, yet her story has often been overshadowed by her husband's.

This comprehensive biography sheds new light on Eliza's life and legacy, revealing a woman of extraordinary resilience, courage, and intellect. From her early days as a socialite in pre-Revolutionary New York to her later years as a devoted mother and tireless advocate for her husband's legacy, Eliza's story is one that will inspire and captivate readers of all ages.



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Eliza Schuyler Hamilton as a young woman, circa 1780.

Eliza Schuyler was born on August 9, 1757, in Albany, New York, to a wealthy and prominent family. Her father, Philip Schuyler, was a general in the Continental Army, and her mother, Catherine Van Rensselaer, was a member of one of the most powerful families in New York.

Eliza was a precocious child, with a keen intellect and a love of learning. She was educated at home by tutors, and she quickly mastered several languages, including English, French, and Italian. She was also a talented musician and artist.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton and Alexander Hamilton, circa 1790.

In 1780, Eliza met Alexander Hamilton, a young army officer from the Caribbean island of Nevis. The two fell in love quickly, and they were married on December 14, 1780.

Alexander Hamilton was a brilliant and ambitious man, and he quickly rose through the ranks of the Continental Army. Eliza was a devoted wife and mother, and she supported her husband's career in every way she could.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton helping wounded soldiers during the Battle of Yorktown.

During the Revolutionary War, Eliza and Alexander Hamilton lived in New York City, where they were both active in the war effort. Eliza helped to organize a hospital for wounded soldiers, and she also raised money for the Continental Army.

In 1781, Eliza and Alexander's first child, Philip, was born. The Hamiltons had eight children in total, but only five survived to adulthood.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton with her children, circa 1800.

After the war, the Hamiltons settled in New York City, where Alexander Hamilton became one of the most influential figures in the new nation. Eliza continued to be a devoted wife and mother, but she also became involved in her own projects.

In 1789, Eliza founded the Orphan Asylum Society, one of the first orphanages in the United States. She also worked to improve education for girls, and she founded the Society for the Relief of Poor Widows with Small Children.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton mourning the death of her husband, Alexander Hamilton.

In 1804, Alexander Hamilton was killed in a duel with Aaron Burr. Eliza was devastated by her husband's death, but she found solace in her children and her work.

Eliza spent the rest of her life preserving her husband's legacy. She collected his papers and wrote a biography of him that was published in 1834.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton postage stamp issued in 1987.

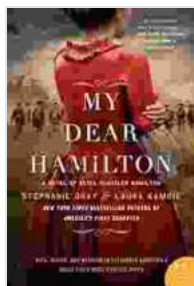
Eliza Schuyler Hamilton died on November 9, 1854, at the age of 97. She is buried next to her husband in Trinity Churchyard in New York City.

Eliza Schuyler Hamilton was a remarkable woman who played a pivotal role in the American Revolution and beyond. She was a devoted wife and mother, a tireless advocate for her husband's legacy, and a pioneer in the field of women's rights.

Eliza's story is one that should be told and retold for generations to come. She is a role model for women everywhere, and her legacy is one that we should all be proud of.

This biography of Eliza Schuyler Hamilton is a must-read for anyone who is interested in American history, women's history, or the Founding Fathers.

Eliza's story is a inspiring and captivating tale of resilience, courage, and intellect. She was a woman who made a difference in her world, and her legacy continues to inspire us today.



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