

Betsy Ross

The Patriot Seamstress

The Legend

- In June, 1776, George Washington, Robert Morris, and George Ross came to visit Betsy and asked her to sew a flag
- Though it is unknown if the legend is true, Betsy definitely was one of the first to sew the American flag designed by Francis Hopkinson



Her Life



- Born January 1, 1752
- Died January 30, 1836
- Attended Quaker schools
- Married three different times; each of her husbands died within several years of marriage

A Founding Mother

- There were so many prominent Founding Fathers at the time of the Revolution in America; the people wanted a Founding Mother
- A strong woman who was able to endure the trauma of being widowed three different times and who was able to raise a young child without her husband



Important Traits



- An excellent businesswoman, capable of running a highly successful upholstery business by herself
- Persevering despite serious obstacles and challenges
- Artistically gifted
