

Hello, in this essay, you will learn about a first lady named Abigail Adams. Abigail Adams was an interesting person because she was the first lady to ever live in The White House. She was also a very determined woman. She was born on November 11, 1744 in Weymouth Massachusetts. She married John Adams (the second president of the United States). And she had a son with him named John Quincy Adams, (the sixth president of the United States).

Abigail Adams was raised in a simple rural setting. She was the second child born to Elizabeth Quincy Smith and William Smith. As a child, Abigail Adams was homeschooled. She learned the same things you would learn in school today, such as reading and writing. But that wasn't the only thing she learned. She learned even more things you wouldn't learn in school today, such as sewing, fine needle work, and cooking.

Abigail always expressed concern about how women should be treated. Abigail also had strong feelings about marriage. And she believed that women take more part in decisions rather than simply serve their husbands. Adams believed that women should educate themselves. She also thought that they should use their intellect to manage the household affairs, as well as be a moral guide for the family.

Abigail always remained a supportive spouse and confident, just like any other lady should be. But Abigail and John Adams did not always see eye to eye. For example: when John Adams was having trouble with France, Abigail thought war should be declared. But, while Abigail wanted to declare war, John sought out a peaceful, less costly solution. Abigail also begged John Adams to draft laws that were "more generous and favorable" to women than his predecessors had.

Abigail Adams unfortunately died on October 28, 1818, by typhoid fever. Her very last words were: "Do not grieve, my friend, my dearest friend. I am ready to go. And John, it will not be long." She is remembered for the many letters of advice she exchanged with her husband during the Continental Congress. She was always a loving wife who longed for a husband to be at her side. I think she was a great first lady because of her concern for women's rights and I do not think she will ever be forgotten.