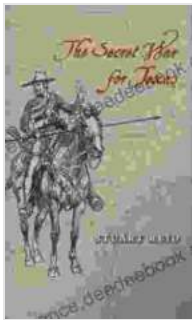


The Secret War for Texas: Elma Dill Russell Spencer in the West and Southwest

The Texas Revolution was a pivotal moment in American history, and the story of Elma Dill Russell Spencer is a fascinating example of the important role that women played in the fight for independence.



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Spencer was born in Kentucky in 1800, and she moved to Texas with her family in 1830. She quickly became involved in the fight for Texas independence, serving as a spy, a messenger, and a nurse. Her work was essential to the success of the Texas Revolution, and she is considered to be one of the most important women in Texas history.

Spencer's story is a reminder of the important role that women played in the Texas Revolution. She was a brave and resourceful woman who risked her life for the cause of Texas independence. Her story is an inspiration to

us all, and it is a reminder of the important role that women have played in American history.

Early Life and Education

Elma Dill Russell Spencer was born on May 2, 1800, in Logan County, Kentucky. She was the daughter of John Russell and Sarah Dill Russell. Spencer's father was a farmer and a veteran of the War of 1812. Her mother was a devout Christian who taught Spencer the importance of education and service to others.

Spencer received a good education for a woman of her time. She attended a local schoolhouse and later studied at the Russellville Female Academy. Spencer was a bright and inquisitive student, and she excelled in her studies. She was particularly interested in history and literature.

Marriage and Family

In 1824, Spencer married James Henderson Spencer. The couple had two children, a son and a daughter. Spencer and her family lived in Kentucky for several years, but they eventually decided to move to Texas.

In 1830, the Spencer family moved to Texas. They settled in the town of San Felipe, which was then the capital of Texas. Spencer quickly became involved in the fight for Texas independence. She served as a spy, a messenger, and a nurse. Her work was essential to the success of the Texas Revolution.

The Texas Revolution

The Texas Revolution began in 1835, when the Mexican government tried to disarm the Texas militia. The Texans refused to give up their weapons,

and they fought for their independence. Spencer was one of the many Texans who fought in the Texas Revolution. She served as a spy, a messenger, and a nurse. Her work was essential to the success of the Texas Revolution.

In 1836, the Texans won their independence from Mexico. Spencer was one of the many Texans who helped to achieve this victory. She was a brave and resourceful woman who risked her life for the cause of Texas independence.

Later Life

After the Texas Revolution, Spencer continued to live in Texas. She and her family moved to the town of Austin, which became the new capital of Texas. Spencer was active in the community, and she served as a teacher and a nurse. She was also a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas.

Spencer died in Austin in 1884. She was 84 years old. She is buried in the Texas State Cemetery in Austin.

Legacy

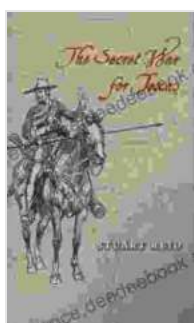
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Spencer's legacy lives on in the many schools, hospitals, and other institutions that bear her name. She is also remembered through the many

historical markers that have been placed throughout Texas to commemorate her life and work.

Additional Resources

- Elma Dill Russell Spencer on the Texas State Historical Association website
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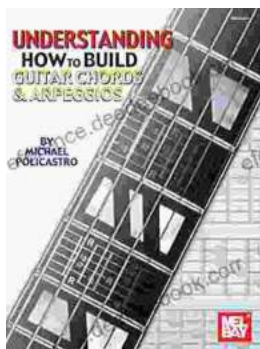
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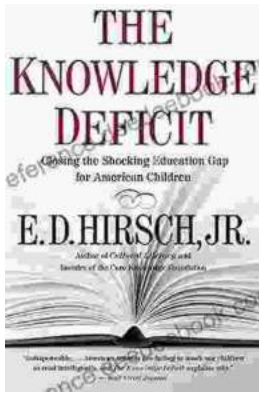
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