

Eleanor Roosevelt

(1884-1962)

Humanitarian and First Lady

Eleanor Roosevelt, one of the most influential and beloved First Ladies, used her platform to advocate for human and civil rights. She was a prolific author, speaker, and humanitarian, served as chairperson of the United Nations Human Rights Commission, and was instrumental in the drafting and passage of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. She connected with the public through a popular syndicated column, 'My Day,' in which she recounted her daily adventures from 1935 until her death in 1962. In June 2023, the United States Mint released the eighth coin in the American Women Quarters™ Program, the Eleanor Roosevelt Quarter.



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