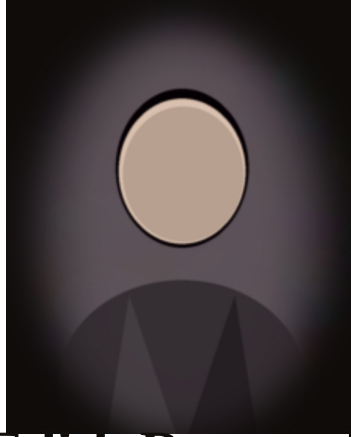




Edith Roosevelt

August 6, 1861 - September 30, 1948

Oyster Bay, New York

Edith Kermit Carow Roosevelt - American First Lady who steadied Theodore Roosevelt's White House with taste, discipline, and a private steel that rarely sought applause - died in Oyster Bay, New York, on September 30, 1948. She was eighty-seven. Born August 6, 1861, in Norwich, Connecticut, and raised among New York's Knickerbocker circle, she knew Theodore from childhood, married him after Alice Hathaway Lee's death, and became stepmother and mother in a household that never stopped moving.

As First Lady from 1901 to 1909 she professionalized the social calendar, hired the first full-time social secretary, renovated public rooms with a sense of national stagecraft, and kept family chaos from becoming public farce. She preferred understatement to spectacle, yet she understood that the White House was both home and theater. After Washington she returned to Sagamore Hill, managed widowhood with the same competence, and lived long enough to see her husband's myth harden while she guarded the quieter archive of daily life.

Oyster Bay remained the center of gravity. She died there, having outlasted the Progressive Era she helped furnish with manners and order.

Connecticut birth and Manhattan upbringing taught form; the White House taught improvisation under pressure. She managed power as if dignity were a kind of infrastructure.

She died in Oyster Bay on September 30, 1948. Somewhere a White House dinner card is still being revised in a neat hand.

Edith Roosevelt's gift was steady command - making the presidency's private side look governable. Notice Nearby keeps the death date so September 30 remembers the First Lady who gave Theodore Roosevelt's household its keel.

Services

Died in Oyster Bay, New York, September 30, 1948. First Lady of the United States (1901-1909); White House renovation and social modernization; Sagamore Hill.

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