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Women of the Quilt:

- 1. <u>Mary Custis Lee</u> was the wife of Robert E. Lee, the prominent career military officer who subsequently commanded the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia during the American Civil War.
- 2. <u>Lizinka Campbell Ewell</u> was the daughter of a Tennessee State senator who was also Minister to Russia under President James Monroe. In her second marriage, she married Confederate General Richard Ewell.
- 3. <u>Arabella Griffith Barlow</u>, Civil War Nurse and wife of General Francis Barlow, who spent much of the War treating wounded soldiers as part of the United States Sanitary Commission.
- 4. <u>Jessie Benton Fremont</u>, an American writer and political activist, wife of John C. Fremont, explorer of the American West and commander of the Western Region in the Civil War.
- 5. <u>Mary Ann Montgomery Forrest</u>, wife of Confederate General Nathan Bedford Forrest, who followed her husband across many battlefields, described as ".. moving fro place to place as the scenes of the war shifted, like a true soldier."
- 6. <u>Julia Dent Grant</u> was the wife of the 18th President of the United States, Ulysses S. Grant, and was First Lady of the United States from 1869 to 1877.
- 7. <u>Maria Garland Longstreet</u>, wife of Confederate general James Longstreet, was the daughter of General John Garland.
- 8. <u>Susan Elston Wallace</u> was an American author and poet from Crawfordsville, Indiana. In addition to writing travel articles for several American magazines and newspapers, she published six books, five of which contain collected essays from her travels in the New Mexico Territory, Europe, and the Middle East in the 1880s. She was also the wife of Lew Wallace, a lawyer, Civil War general, politician, and diplomat.
- 9. <u>Ellen Ewing Sherman</u> was the wife of General William Tecumseh Sherman, a leading Union general in the Civil War. She was also a prominent figure of the times in her own right. She was credited as the principal organizer of the Catholic Indian Missionary Association which supported mission work among Native Americans in the United States.
- 10. <u>Lucy Webb Hayes</u> was a First Lady of the United States and the wife of President Rutherford B. Hayes. She was well known for caring for wounded infantrymen during the Civil War and for her staunch support of the temperance movement.
- 11. <u>Almira Russell Hancock</u>, wife of Union General Winfield Scott Hancock, known as "the most beautiful girl in the West."
- 12. <u>Ellen Mary McClellen</u> was not only brilliant and beautiful but was known as the strength and confidence behind an inept Commanding General George McClellan.

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Women in the American Civil War at History.com

Women Soldiers in the Civil War

National Archives on Women Solders of the Civil War

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