

Sarah Bush Johnston Lincoln

Abraham Lincoln's beloved stepmother

Thomas Lincoln was Abraham's father. He was born in Virginia. He was a farmer and a carpenter. He married Nancy in 1806 and they named their first-born son after his father. Thomas was uneducated but believed in hard work! In 1819 a year after his wife died of milk poisoning, he traveled back to Kentucky and found a new wife. Her name was Sarah Bush Johnston but folks called her Sally. He brought her and her three children back to Indiana with him. Now Abraham had four siblings!

Sally was very kind and nurturing. She immediately took Sarah and Abraham to her heart as if they were her own children. She encouraged his love of books and reading. She would help him study at night after the chores were done. Abraham still missed his mother but he loved Sally very much. He said she was his best friend in the world.

Lincoln's Father traveled from Indiana to Kentucky and then back to Indiana with Lincoln's NEW mother. Help him get from Kentucky to Indiana.

