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Amelia Earhart (1897-1939)

Pioneering Pilot & Women's Rights Activist

After graduating from high school in 1915, she worked as a nurse and social worker in Boston and began studying medicine in 1919. By working in 28 different jobs, she financed her pilot's license and soon bought her first airplane, with which she set the women's altitude world record.





In 1932, she became the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic.

In 1935, she gave a radio speech titled "A Woman's Place in Science," reflecting on the role of women in science.

She saw aviation as a perfect example of the fusion of technology, science, and progress.

In her view, women should also be part of this fusion.





She was a co-founder of "The Ninety-Nines", an organization that supported women in aviation, as she faced significant criticism from male colleagues who felt threatened by her popularity.

In 1937, she set out with a navigator on a flight around the world along the equator, but disappeared during the journey.

Even large-scale search efforts were unsuccessful, and in 1939 she was declared missing and presumed dead.





„Frauen müssen versuchen, Dinge zu tun, wie Männer es getan haben. Wenn sie scheitern, soll ihr Scheitern andere herausfordern.“

"Women must try to do things as men have tried. When they fail, their failure must be a challenge to others."

