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Mary Ellis

She was eight when her father bought her a ride in a de Havilland DH-60 Moth two-seater biplane.

She enjoyed driving rally cars and she won lots of competitions.

After the war Mary joined the RAF and became one of the first women to fly Britain's earliest jet fighter, the Gloster Meteor.



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She had four brothers and sisters.



Timeline of events:

2 nd February 1917 Mary Ellis was born as Mary Wilkins	1939 Mary gained her pilot licence at the age of 22. World War Two began	October 1941 Mary joined the Air Transport Auxiliary and moved planes and food to RAF bases.	1950 Mary moved to the Isle of Wight to become the manager of an airport.	1961 Mary married a pilot called Donald Ellis	24 th July 2018 Mary Ellis died
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Mae Jemison

In September 1992, she also became the first Black woman to go into space, aboard the Endeavour space shuttle

Her uncle introduced her to science and she developed an interest in astrology.

Her mother was a teacher and her father was a carpenter and roofer. She was the youngest of three children.



Endeavour Space Shuttle

Key vocabulary:

Astrology: the study of everything in the universe beyond Earth's atmosphere

Astronaut: a person who is specially trained to travel into outer space

Inventor: A person who makes new things.

NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

17 th October 1956 Mae Jemison was born	1959 Mae moved to Chicago with her brother and sister	1977 Mae becomes a doctor. 1987 She joined NASA	1983 Mae spent two years in the Peace Corp.	1992 Mae becomes the first African American woman in space.	1993 Mae retired from NASA
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