

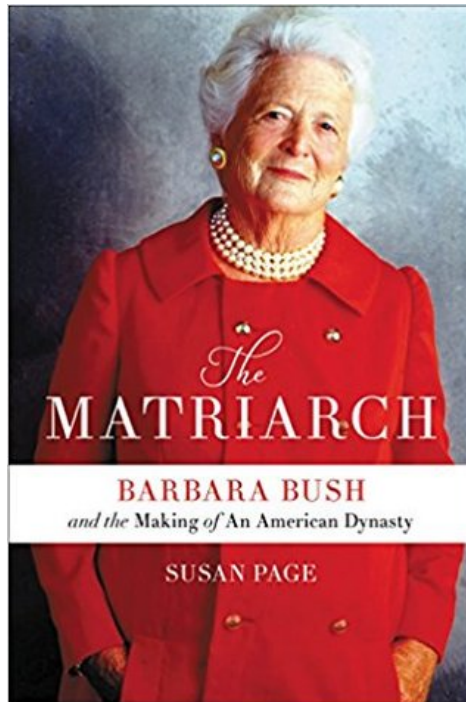
A portrait of Barbara Bush, an elderly woman with short, styled white hair. She is wearing a vibrant red double-breasted jacket with gold buttons, a multi-strand pearl necklace, and gold hoop earrings. The background is a soft, out-of-focus blue and grey. The title 'The Matriarch' is overlaid on the image, with 'The' in a cursive font and 'Matriarch' in a large, white, serif font.

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**MATRIARCH**

**BARBARA BUSH**  
*and the Making of An American Dynasty*

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## \* The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty \*



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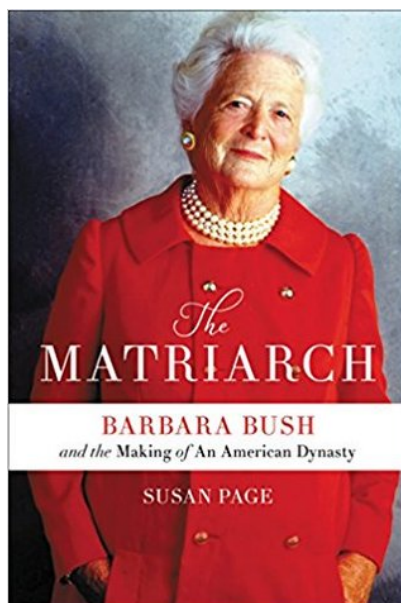
### Books Descriptions

A vivid, immersive biography of former First Lady and Bush clan matriarch Barbara Bush, one of the most storied women in American political history. Barbara Pierce Bush -- political powerhouse, Bush family matriarch, former First Lady, and celebrated public servant -- has not been the focus of a robust, mainstream biography for over a decade. In *The Matriarch*, her story is revived and told in full: from growing up in Rye, New York to becoming America's First Lady, every tragedy and triumph is rivetingly told. An institution in and of herself, Barbara Bush's

role in American history cannot be understated. Beginning while Second Lady and through her time as First Lady, she invested herself deeply in expanding literacy programs in America, launched efforts to combat homelessness, and eventually became the first woman since Eleanor Roosevelt to speak at her party's national convention in 1988. While her own political beliefs sometimes differed from her husband's, Barbara Bush nevertheless



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