



Harriet Tubman Timeline

- 1820** Born in Dorchester County, Maryland.
- 1826** Rented for the first time by Mrs. James Cook from plantation owner Edward Brodas.
- 1831** Stories of the existence of the Underground Railroad start to spread.
- 1834** Hurt by overseer, who hit her in the head.
- 1844** Marries John Tubman.
- 1849** Runs away from the Brodas plantation through the Underground Railroad and works in a hotel in Philadelphia.
- 1850** Plots with William Still to rescue her sister, brother-in-law, and their two children.
- 1851** Makes second trip on the Underground Railroad with her brother.
- 1857** Rescues parents.
- 1858** Meets Captain John Brown who calls her General Tubman.
- 1859** John Brown and other slaves raid Harper's Ferry in Virginia.
- 1860** Meets Charles Nalle in Troy, New York. Makes last trip to Maryland and flees to Canada.
- 1861** Travels to Port Royal at Governor Andrews's recommendation.
- 1862** Emancipation Proclamation is announced by President Lincoln.
- 1863** Serves as scout to Colonel James Montgomery. Accompanies Montgomery in raids along the Combahee River.
- 1865** Returns to Auburn, New York.
- 1867** Hears of death of John Tubman.
- 1869** Marries Nelson Davis. Sarah Bradford publishes *Scenes in the Life of Harriet Tubman*.
- 1886** Sarah Bradford writes a second Tubman biography, *Harriet, the Moses of Her People*.
- 1888** Nelson Davis dies October 14.
- 1889** Receives twenty dollars because of Davis's death.
- 1903** Hands over her home and 25-acre property to the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church in Auburn, New York.
- 1913** Dies March 10.