



Selina Gray

Fact: Selina Gray's daughters assisted the U.S. army with the restoration of Arlington House in 1929-30. Selina Gray was the enslaved housekeeper for Arlington House. She and her family lived in the quarters behind the house. When the Lees left in 1861, Mrs. Lee asked Selina to protect the house. Upon discovering family objects missing, including heirlooms owned by President George Washington, Selina confronted Union General Irvin McDowell, who stopped the looting of the house.

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