

Arlington House, The Robert E. Lee Memorial



Robert E. Lee - After the War

Lived in Lexington, Virginia

Died: October 12, 1870

After surrendering his army at Appomattox, General Lee wanted to help heal the nation. As president of Washington College in Lexington, Virginia, from October 1865 until his death in 1870, he promoted reconciliation to the younger generation and to the south. To honor him for working to reunite the country, Congress designated Arlington House as the Robert E. Lee Memorial in 1955.

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