



NPS Women Cartes de Visite Collection



Beatrice B. Freeland

Yosemite National Park

Park Ranger, 1923-1924

- Born Beatrice Blanchard on July 22, 1898 in San Francisco, California.
- Lived through the 1906 San Francisco earthquake.
- Earned a degree in music from the U.C. Berkeley in 1920. Taught music for two years in public schools in Corning, California.
- Married Edward “Dixon” Freeland on September 30, 1922 in San Francisco.
- Worked as a temporary park ranger in Yosemite National Park during the summers of 1923 and 1924.
- In 1930s trained a group of CCC men into an award winning quartet.
- Lived in six different parks and, as superintendent’s wife, entertained politicians, heads of state, movie actors, and others.
- Her son Dixon, her son-in-law, and three grandchildren also worked for the NPS.
- Died May 11, 1998 in St. Helena, California.

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