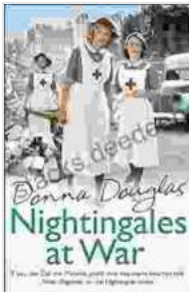


Nightingales at War: Donna Douglas, the Real-Life Nurse Who Inspired the TV Show



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Donna Douglas, best known for her role as Elly May Clampett on *The Beverly Hillbillies*, was also a real-life nurse who served in the Korean War. Her experiences as a nurse inspired her to co-create the popular television series *Nightingales*, which aired from 1989 to 1993.

Douglas was born in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in 1932. She attended Louisiana State University, where she studied nursing. After graduating, she joined the Air Force and was stationed in Korea during the Korean War. As a nurse, she worked in a field hospital, where she cared for wounded soldiers.

Douglas's experiences in Korea had a profound impact on her. She saw firsthand the horrors of war and the importance of providing medical care to those in need. After the war, she returned to the United States and

continued to work as a nurse. However, she also began to pursue her dream of becoming an actress.

In 1962, Douglas was cast as Elly May Clampett on *The Beverly Hillbillies*. The show was a huge success, and Douglas's character became one of the most beloved on television. However, Douglas never forgot her experiences as a nurse. In 1989, she co-created the television series *Nightingales*, which was based on her experiences in Korea.

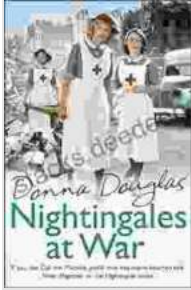
Nightingales was a groundbreaking television series. It was one of the first shows to focus on the experiences of female nurses during wartime. The show was praised for its realism and its portrayal of the challenges and rewards of nursing.

Douglas's work as a nurse and an actress made a significant impact on the world. She was a role model for women in both professions, and her work helped to raise awareness of the importance of nursing. She was a true Nightingale at war, and her legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.

Donna Douglas's Legacy

Donna Douglas died in 2015 at the age of 82. She left behind a legacy of service and entertainment. She was a pioneer for women in both nursing and acting, and her work continues to inspire people around the world.

Douglas's story is a reminder that even in the darkest of times, there is always hope. She faced many challenges in her life, but she never gave up on her dreams. She used her experiences to make a difference in the world, and her legacy will continue to inspire generations to come.



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