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## A Brief Biography of Marjory Stoneman Douglas

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Here’s a little book that summarizes Marjory’s achievements as a writer and conservationist in her long, long 108 years of life (1890-1998) and gives some background history to the changes she saw. This new publication includes old photographs and comments from people who knew her. There are sources for the many contemporary quotations, a list of recommended reading, and a handy time-line.

*She’s done it again! The author has encapsulated a great amount of information into a small readable book.*

*I’m so glad you’ve told Marjory’s inspiring story and given readers some background so they will understand how vitally important she was to our Florida environment.*

**Franklin Adams, Environmentalist**

*You’ve done a good job of covering the issues to explain why Marjory did the amazing things she did without making the book about the Everglades rather than about her.*

**Joe Browder, Environmentalist**

Author Marya Repko grew up in Hadlyme, CT, but lived most of her life in Europe as a software engineer. After retirement, she moved to Everglades City, FL, where her first book *A Brief History of the Everglades City Area* has sold thousands of copies. Other brief histories of Deaconess Harriet Bedell, Marjory Stoneman Douglas, the Fakahatchee, and Sanibel have been well-received, as have the children’s version of the Everglades and Sanibel books. Marya is Secretary of the Everglades Society for Historic Preservation.

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