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What are Commemorative Coins?

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What is on the Back of the Washington-Carver Half Dollar?

A map of the United States and the text "Freedom and Opportunity for All-Americanism"

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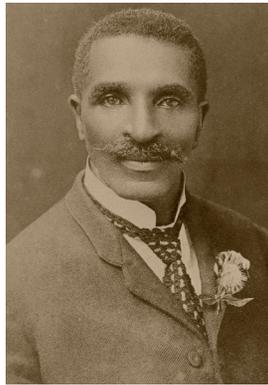
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COURTESY OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

George Washington Carver

Biography

Full Name:

George Washington Carver

Birth Date & Place:

Born a slave in 1864
Diamond Grove, Missouri

Schooling:

Lincoln School for Colored Children, Neosho, Missouri;
Minneapolis High School, Kansas;
Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa;
Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

Lived:

Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Alabama

Death:

January 5, 1943

Achievements

Carver was an African American, who studied science and plants.

Carver was hired by Booker T. Washington as a teacher at Tuskegee Institute.

He developed hundreds of uses for peanuts, sweet potatoes and soybeans.

He developed crop-rotation and helped the economic development of the South.

Fun Facts

Carver was known as the "Wizard of Tuskegee."

He did not patent many of his products but allowed people to use them freely.

He always wore a fresh flower in his lapel.

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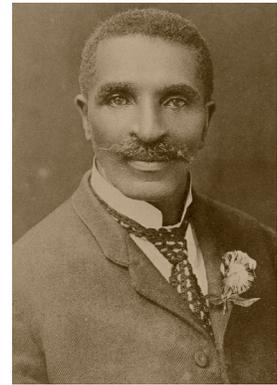
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