

# Famous Military Women Study Sheet

1. Grace Hopper US Navy rear admiral and computer scientist, known for her pioneering work in computer programming languages such as COBOL.
2. Harriet Tubman Former slave who became a Union spy during the Civil War and led the Combahee River Raid, freeing over 700 slaves.
3. Tammy Duckworth US Army veteran and Senator from Illinois, the first Thai-American woman elected to Congress and the first disabled woman to be elected to the Senate.
4. Elizabeth P. Hoisington Brigadier General in the US Army and one of the first two women to attain the rank of general officer.
5. Mary Edwards Walker Civil War surgeon and the only woman to receive the Medal of Honor for her service in the US military.
6. Lori Robinson US Air Force general and the first woman to lead a major Unified Combatant Command, the United States Northern Command.
7. Kristen Griest US Army officer and one of the first two women to graduate from the US Army Ranger School, breaking gender barriers in the military.
8. Michelle Howard US Navy admiral and the first woman to become a four-star admiral, as well as the first African-American woman to achieve this rank.
9. Ellen Ainsworth US Army nurse during World War II, awarded the Silver Star for her bravery and heroism during the Battle of Anzio.
10. Margaret Corbin Revolutionary War soldier who fought alongside her husband and became the first woman to receive a pension from the US government for military service.
11. Jayne Mansfield Actress and US Army Reserve member who was one of the first American celebrities to support troops during the Vietnam War, entertaining soldiers overseas.
12. Martha Raye Actress and USO performer known as the "First Lady of the Big Broadcast" for her work entertaining troops during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.
13. Maria Daume US Marine Corps recruit and the first woman to graduate from the Marine Corps Infantry Training Battalion course.
14. Wilma Vaught US Air Force Brigadier General and advocate for women in the military, instrumental in the establishment of the Women in Military Service for America Memorial.
15. Susan Ahn Cuddy US Navy officer and the first Asian-American woman to join the US Navy, serving as a gunnery officer during World War II.
16. Doris Miller US Navy sailor and the first African-American recipient of the Navy Cross for his heroism during the attack on Pearl Harbor.
17. Oveta Culp Hobby First Secretary of the US Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and the first director of the Women's Army Corps, playing a key role in the integration of women into the US military.
18. Irene M. Zoppi First female Puerto Rican soldier to die in combat and the first female member of the United States Armed Forces to die in a combat zone in the Iraq War.
19. Shannon Faulkner American who fought a legal battle to become the first female cadet to enroll at The Citadel, one of the United States military's five service academies, in 1995.