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MOTHER'S DAY 1981

*When we are remembering those warm moments of childhood with Mother, we've gained far more than touching memories. For it is the love we knew as children that created the love we know and give today.*

Anna Jarvis of Grafton, W. Va. and Philadelphia, Pa. is properly credited with the ultimate Congressional launching of an official national observance of Mother's Day.

Other countries, for example, England (Mothering Sunday) had long observed similar days. In this country, Julia Ward Howe in 1872, Mary Towles Sasseen in 1887, and Frank E. Herring in 1904 made efforts to establish a Mother's Day.

On May 10, 1908 churches in Grafton and Philadelphia held special services to honor mothers at which the custom of wearing a red or white carnation took hold. It was the perseverance of Anna Jarvis through her church affiliations which finally led to the congressional actions that made Mother's Day an official custom of the U.S.A. in 1915.

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