Mary Ball Washington

THE UNTOLD STORY OF
GEORGE WASHINGTON'S MOTHER

Craig Shirley

MARY BALL WASHINGTON. Copyright © 2019 by Craig Shirley. All rights reserved. Printed in the United States of America. No part of this book may be used or reproduced in any manner whatsoever without written permission except in the case of brief quotations embodied in critical articles and reviews. For information, address HarperCollins Publishers, 195 Broadway, New York, NY 10007.

HarperCollins books may be purchased for educational, business, or sales promotional use. For information, please email the Special Markets Department at SPsales@harpercollins.com.

FIRST EDITION

Designed by Leah Carlson-Stanisic

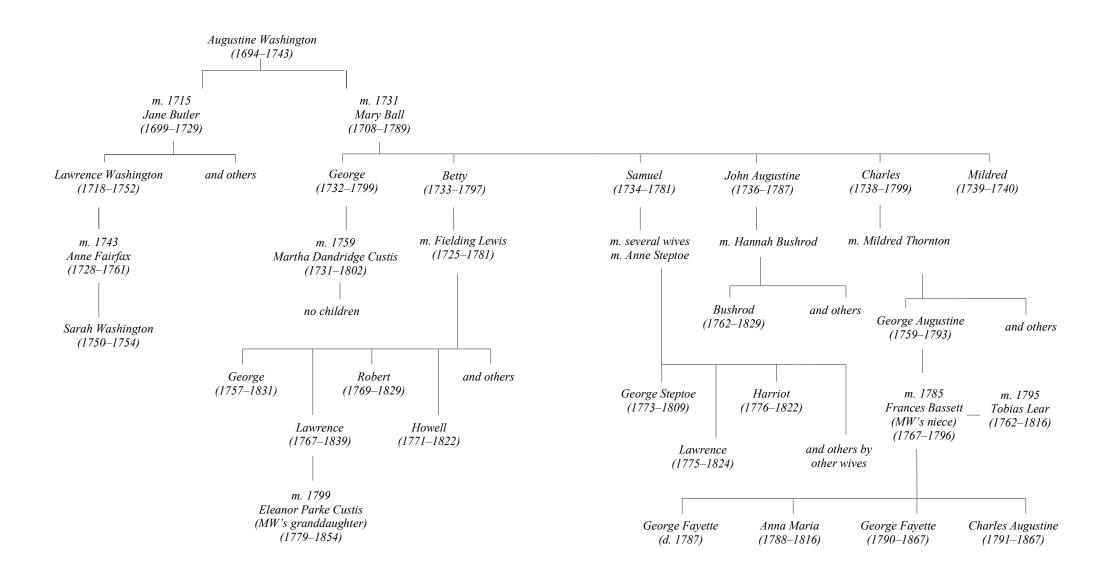
Frontispiece: Washington's Farewell to his Mother, 1789 by Jean Leon Gerome Ferris © Virginia Museum of History & Culture

Library of Congress Cataloging-in-Publication Data has been applied for.

ISBN 978-0-06-245651-9

19 20 21 22 23 LSC 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

The Washington Family



Notes

ABBREVIATIONS

The Diaries of George Washington-DGW

The Papers of Benjamin Franklin—PBF

The Papers of George Washington. Colonial Series—PGWCol

The Papers of George Washington. Revolutionary War Series—PGWRev

The Papers of George Washington. Confederation Series—PGWCon

The Papers of George Washington. Presidential Series—PGWPres

The Papers of George Washington. Retirement Series—PGWRet

The Papers of James Madison-PJM

The Papers of Thomas Jefferson—PTJ

The Papers of Thomas Jefferson, Retirement Series—PTJRet

WORKS OF INTEREST

George Washington by Henry Cabot Lodge (American Statesmen series; Boston: Houghton, Mifflin, 1889).

George Washington by William H. Rideing (True Stories of Great Americans series; New York: Macmillan, 1916).

Basic Writings of George Washington edited by Saxe Commins (New York: Random House, 1948).

The Story-Life of Young George Washington by Wayne Whipple (Philadelphia: John C. Winston, 1911).