

# Women's Monumental Mark on Ancient Egypt

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## Old Kingdom

• During the Old Kingdom women who were of elite class through blood or marriage of a royal family held positions of authority.



• An important thing to note is that women in Egypt were commemorated in ways that showed value to the contributions they made in society, as well as their independence, and responsibilities.

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## Middle Kingdom



• During this period women's positions were mainly in service industries such as hairdressers, scribe, or gardener.

• Although the most popular statuettes were of husband and wife sitting next to each other or next to a son. It was not limited to that. There are few that were of two women believed to be mother or daughter or of a woman alone.

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**New Kingdom**

- During this time period Egyptian women were commemorated a little more extravagantly.
- The social status or wealth of a woman was typically reflected in the size of the statue.
- The sizes could range from life size for the very wealthy to statuettes for women of lower economical status.



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