

Rachael (early 1800s) was a nurse and midwife enslaved by Thomas Jefferson at Monticello. Very little is known about Rachael, limited to only that which was recorded in the papers of Thomas Jefferson and the Monticello estate. We do not know her last name or her date of birth or death. We do know that Rachael played a unique role in her community, attending numerous births on Thomas Jefferson's properties during the early 19th century, including the years from 1813 until 1827.

Sources:

Faith N. Bush, "Flashback Friday – The Hidden Nurse of Monticello." [READ](#)