The Eventful Life of Molly Brown



**D.O.B:** Margaret “Molly” Brown Tobin was born on July 18th, 1897 in Hannibal, Missouri, USA.

**Childhood and Family:** She had six siblings, Daniel, Michael, William, Helen, Sophie, and Mary Anne. Molly had Irish parents called John and Joanna Brown. She had a happy childhood with many brothers and sisters to play with.

**Key Events:** She married James Joseph Brown and had two children. Molly was travelling when she heard her grandchild was sick. She booked the first ticket to New York, on the Titanic. Titanic sank on April 15th, 1912, at around 2:20am after hitting an iceberg. Molly was a first-class passenger. She helped others board lifeboats. When she was finally persuaded to get to safety, she argued that her lifeboat should go back and save others, but she was overruled. She later formed a survivors’ committee. Molly died on October 26th, 1932.

 

**Fun Facts:** Molly began factory work at 13. Her childhood family and her husband were all poor. Molly was not listened to because she was a woman. She dedicated years of her life to helping others. Watch a short film on her life: <https://youtu.be/dpekPaut0Cg>

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