### Biography of England's Greatest Warrior King: The Life and Times of King Edward I

Edward I (1239-1307), also known as Edward Longshanks, was one of the most successful and influential kings in English history. He was a skilled military leader, a gifted administrator, and a patron of the arts and sciences. Edward's reign saw England reach the height of its power and prestige, and his legacy continues to be felt today.



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Edward was born in Westminster on June 17, 1239. He was the eldest son of King Henry III and Eleanor of Provence. Edward received a thorough education, studying Latin, French, and English. He also learned the art of warfare, and he soon proved to be a skilled and courageous soldier.

In 1254, Edward was knighted by his father. He then went on to serve in the Barons' War against the rebellious barons. Edward fought bravely in the Battle of Lewes, and he helped to secure a victory for the royalists. After the war, Edward was appointed governor of Gascony. He spent the next few years fighting against the French, and he gained a reputation as a brilliant military commander.

In 1272, Edward returned to England to succeed his father as king. He was crowned at Westminster Abbey on August 19, 1274. Edward immediately set about reforming the English government. He introduced a new system of taxation, and he established a new parliament. Edward also reformed the English legal system, and he made it more efficient and fair.

Edward was also a skilled military leader. He led the English army to victory in the Second Barons' War, and he conquered Wales in 1283. Edward then turned his attention to Scotland. He invaded Scotland in 1296, and he defeated the Scottish army at the Battle of Falkirk. Edward then captured the Scottish king, John Balliol, and he annexed Scotland to England.

Edward's reign was not without its challenges. He faced rebellions in Wales and Scotland, and he was forced to deal with the threat of a French invasion. However, Edward overcame these challenges, and he left England as a stronger and more prosperous nation than he had found it.

Edward I died at Burgh by Sands on July 7, 1307. He was succeeded by his son, Edward II. Edward I was one of the greatest kings in English history. He was a skilled military leader, a gifted administrator, and a patron of the arts and sciences. Edward's reign saw England reach the height of its power and prestige, and his legacy continues to be felt today.

#### **Additional Information**

- Edward I was known as "Longshanks" because of his unusually long legs.
- Edward I was a devout Christian. He went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in 1270.
- Edward I was a patron of the arts and sciences. He founded Merton College, Oxford, and he commissioned the building of Westminster Abbey.
- Edward I was married twice. His first wife was Eleanor of Castile, and his second wife was Margaret of France.
- Edward I had 14 children. His eldest son, Edward II, succeeded him as king.



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