

Women and the War Effort

With the men off fighting the war there was a need for women to enter the work force. Women in Kentucky took on jobs that were not open to them before the war. In Lexington, women stood guard over the Bluegrass Armory, drove taxi cabs, and worked in factories. Those that did not go to work aided the war effort by growing victory gardens, selling war bonds, participating in scrap drives, working with the Red Cross, and more.

The parachute factory in Lexington was the location of many jobs that women took to aid in the war effort.



Rose Will Monroe, the real Rosie the Riveter, was from Pulaski county, Ky.

To defeat the Axis Powers America needed her daughters to fight the war on the assembly line. Rosie the Riveter inspired many women to join the work force.

