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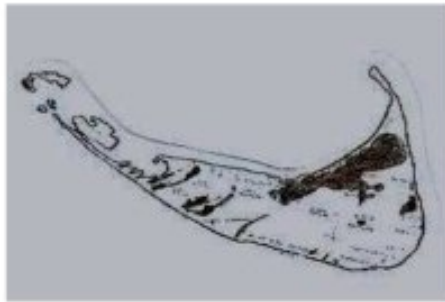
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The historical based story of
Mary (Coffin) Starbuck
And the Quakers of Nantucket Island

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This book is a historically based story about the purchase of Nantucket Island by the Coffin family and several others in the 1600's. I chose my main character as Mary (Coffin) Starbuck, known as The Great Mary, the most prominent woman at that time and who embraced the religion of Friends Society. It is written through her eyes beginning in her teenage years through adulthood when she embraces the Quaker religion and establishes the Friends Meeting there in 1701. This endeavor is close to my heart and has taken me many years to complete. The researching of the island history has been closely documented in my book. The day-to-day activities have been fictionalized. I was born a Quaker in the community of Whittier, California. I am also an eleventh generation descendent of Tristram Coffin. Both of my parents and brother are professional writers. My mother has published a history book about her town of Fallbrook, California and has been a great help with my writing and editing of this book. In my career I have worked in the finance and accounting field most of my life. However, I have always had a love of history and writing. This is my first published book, and I have experienced great joy and excitement achieving this dream.