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Jenna Bush

Writer (1981–)

Jenna Bush Hager is the daughter of President George W. Bush. She's worked as a teacher and journalist, including reporting for the Today Show.

Synopsis

Born with her twin Barbara on November 25, 1981, in Dallas, Texas, Jenna Bush's father, George W. Bush, would eventually be sworn in as U.S. president in 2001. Jenna later worked as a teacher in Baltimore and wrote the *New York Times* bestseller *Ana's Story*, about a young woman living with HIV. Bush married Henry Hager in 2008 and was hired by the *Today Show* in 2009 as a correspondent.

NAME

Jenna Bush

OCCUPATION

Writer

BIRTH DATE

November 25, 1981 (age
34)

EDUCATION

University of Texas at
Austin

PLACE OF BIRTH

Dallas, Texas

AKA

Jenna Bush Hager
Jenna Bush

MAIDEN NAME

Jenna Welch Bush

FULL NAME

Jenna Welch Bush Hager

ZODIAC SIGN

Sagittarius

First Family

Former first daughter Jenna Welch Bush was born on November 25, 1981, in Dallas, Texas. Bush was born one minute after her fraternal twin sister, Barbara. She was named after her maternal grandmother Jenna Hawkins.

Bush graduated from Stephen F. Austin High School in Austin, Texas, in 2000, the same year her father was elected president. As the Bush family settled into the White House, Jenna attended the University of Texas in Austin, where she began to attract attention as an underage partier. In April 2001, Bush was charged with possession of alcohol as a minor. The following month, she was charged with attempting to use her grandmother's ID to purchase alcohol. She pleaded no contest to both misdemeanors.

While at UT, Jenna became a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta sorority and graduated in 2004 with a degree in English. She made several appearances with her sister on behalf of their father's re-election campaign, including a speech for the Republican Convention.

Other Endeavors

After the election, Bush taught third grade at Elsie Whitlow Stokes Community Freedom Public Charter School in Washington, D.C, for a year and a half. In 2006, she visited Africa with her mother. She then worked as an intern for UNICEF, where she taught in Latin America and visited drought-stricken Paraguay. The trip inspired the children's book, *Ana's Story: A Journey of Hope* (2007), based on the life of a 17-year-old Latin American single mother infected with HIV.

In 2008, Jenna Bush and her mother co-authored *Read All About It!*, a book urging children to read. In 2009, the younger Bush began working as a contributing correspondent for NBC's *Today* show.

Personal Life

On August 15, 2007, Jenna Bush became engaged to Henry Chase Hager, whom she'd met on the campaign trail for her father in 2004. Hager was a White House aide for Karl Rove, and the son of former Virginia Republican Party Chairman John H. Hager. Bush and Hager married in May 2008, on the Bush ranch in Texas. Jenna Bush Hager gave birth to the couple's first child, daughter Margaret Laura "Mila" Hager—named after her grandmothers—on April 13, 2013, in New York City. The couple welcomed their second child, daughter Poppy Louise Hager, on August 13, 2015. The baby name is an homage to Jenna's grandfather, former President George H.W. Bush, whose family nickname was "Poppy."

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