

# Grandma Moses Quotes

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Biblical, Grandmother, Should, Would Be, Top Down, Forget Everything,  
Artistic, Leading Me, Positive, Busy, Want, Life*

I look back on my life like a good day's work, it was done and I am satisfied with it.

~Grandma Moses

I look out the window sometimes to seek the color of the shadows and the different greens in the trees, but when I get ready to paint I just close my eyes and imagine a scene.

~Grandma Moses

Even now / I am not old. / I never think of it, and yet / I am a grandmother to eleven grandchildren.

~Grandma Moses

I'll get an inspiration and start painting; then I'll forget everything, everything except how things used to be and how to paint it so people will know how we used to live.

~Grandma Moses

I like to paint something that leads me on and on into the unknown, something that I want to see away on beyond.

~Grandma Moses

People should take time to be happy.

~Grandma Moses

I paint from the top down. From the sky, then the mountains, then the hills, then the houses, then the cattle, and then the people.

~Grandma Moses

Life is what you make it.

~Grandma Moses

Memory is a painter. Paintin's not important. The important thing is keepin' busy.

~Grandma Moses

I don't advise any one to take it [painting] up as a business proposition, unless they really have talent... But I will say that I have did remarkable for one of my years, and experience.

~Grandma Moses

If you know somethin' well, you can always paint it but people would be better off buyin' chickens.

~Grandma Moses

If I hadn't started painting, I would have raised chickens.

~Grandma Moses

A primitive artist is an amateur whose work sells.

~Grandma Moses

I would never sit back in a rocking chair, waiting for someone to help me.

~Grandma Moses

Someone has asked me to paint Biblical pictures, and I say no, I'll not paint something that we know nothing about, might just as well paint something that will happen two thousand years hence.

~Grandma Moses

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