

Faces of Westward Expansion

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Read the paragraph below to help you fill in William Clark's stats:

Born _____

Died _____

Rank _____

Accomplishments _____

William Clark was born on August 1, 1770 in Caroline County, Virginia. The son of a planter, Clark never received any formal education. He made a name for himself as a captain in the Clarksville, Indiana militia, but he was forced to retire at the age of 26 due to poor health. Almost a decade later, Lewis recruited him for the grand Corps of Discovery Expedition. Clark was well-rested and up for the challenge. On the two-year journey across the continent, Clark primarily focused on mapping out the new territory and leading hunting expeditions. After successfully returning, he was named the brigadier general of the militia in the Louisiana Territory and the United States agent for Indian affairs.