

Humans are allergic to change. They love to say, "We've always done it this way." I try to fight that. That's why I have a clock on my wall that runs counter-clockwise.

GRACE HOPPER

Women's History Month celebrates Women in Computer Science

Grace Hopper was an American computer scientist and United States Navy Rear Admiral. She studied mathematics and physics and earned her Ph.D. at Yale University in 1934. Grace enlisted in the Navy reserves and her experiences there led to her work as a programmer on the Harvard Mark I computer in 1944. She is known for inventing the first compiler for a computer programming language and for popularizing the idea of machine-independent programming languages. Grace Hopper was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom by President Barack Obama.

