



WIDOW MACHADO

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INTRODUCTION

This story takes place in Rio Grande do Norte, in the capital Natal, where an urban legend emerged during the 60s, which served to scare children who disobeyed.

THE RUMORS

Amélia Duarte Machado, Widow of Portuguese Manoel Duarte Machado, was known in Natal - RN, however as the “Papa-Figo”. As she was a widow, businesswoman and without children, despite having tried to get pregnant several times, she liked to play with children.





THE RUMORS

Rumors began to point out that she hated children and that she was an evil woman. It was said that she ate children's livers, and to alleviate the effects of this serious illness, and that it left her with big ears. Some said it could be elephantiasis or another rare disease.



REAL STORY

Her name was Amélia Duarte Machadohe was born in 1881. As a young woman, she married the Portuguese Manoel Duarte Machado, a very wealthy man at the time. Owner of many lands and a great merchant, he had shops in the streets of Ribeira. It is said that the neighborhoods of Nova Descoberta and Morro Branco were owned by the Machado family. Lady Amélia contributed to her husband's fame, promoting dinners for the Natal elite.

In 1910, they built a house near the Rosário Church, in the Cidade Alta neighborhood, which still exists today.

In 1934, Manuel Machado died and the widow, after Manuel's death, began to manage her business.

Because she was a very rich and very reserved woman, several legends emerged about the then businesswoman.

RESPONDA EM SALA

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- Apartir da leitura do texto deêem um novo título ao texto em inglês e Português

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- Crie uma nova frase sobre o texto, e coloque-as na forma interrogativa e negativa

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- De acordo com o texto Amélia era viúva de :
 - a) De um português chamado Manoel Machado Duarte
 - b) De um polonês chamado Manoel Galvão Machado
 - c) De um português chamado Manoel Duarte Machado

(Links sobre a história)

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