

## ***Hair Jewelry***

While the art of creating jewelry from human hair has been practiced for thousands of years, the Victorian era in America and England saw a flourish in hair jewelry making as a way to celebrate family members and deceased relatives. Human hair will not decay and is durable...it is also readily available and an inexpensive alternative to other more fancy decorative materials like gold or silver. Publications like Godey's Lady's Book provided patterns and starter kits for hair jewelry making. The piece of hair jewelry in Woodrow Wilson's Birthplace is a watch fob for a gentleman's pocket watch.

