

Nefertari and Rameses II

Tony said that I should blog about this. I told him all of this last night and he thought it would make a good blog. Now if only I could remember what I said... ☐

I have read that Nefertari was most likely the daughter of a noble family, because since she never claimed to be the daughter of royalty, she couldn't have been. I have been thinking and what if they were wrong? What if Nefertari didn't claim to be the daughter of royalty because she was related to Nefertiti? If she was related to Nefertiti, she definitely wouldn't have wanted to acknowledge that since Nefertiti was the Chief Wife of the Heretic Pharaoh, who took away the people's gods! The people would not have welcomed her as their queen if they knew she was related to Nefertiti. At least, that is what I think.

Also, Rameses II may have been an arrogant man, he was also a man in love. He had many wives and concubines, but he had only one woman he truly loved. Rameses not only wrote poems for his Chief Wife, Nefertari, but he also built her a temple. Outside the temple, he has two statues of himself and two of Nefertari. But what is different about this temple is that Nefertari and Rameses II are the same size. He felt that she was his equal, he insisted her be the same size as he was. Most wives, even the Chief wives were smaller than their husbands, but not Nefertari! What else would this mean except he loved her and that she was the most important person in his life? Also, he had the tomb builders make an even more beautiful and exquisite than his own. Her way to the afterlife was more important to him than his own it would seem!

It is through her tomb that we know what she looks like because tomb raiders desecrated her tomb. They left the wall intact, but her body was gone! All that has been found of her were her knees! I have seen pictures of Nefertari's tomb and

it is beautiful! I just hope that when her tomb was desecrated Rameses II was not alive. It would have broken his heart to know that his love's soul was disturbed! It was a great love story.