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Mildred Ella "Babe" Didrikson Zaharias (June 26, 1911 in Port Arthur, Texas September 27, 1956) was an American athlete, who excelled in many sports. She achieved her greatest successes in golf and athletics. She was born Mildred Didriksen (her surname was later accidentally changed) in the oil town of Port Arthur, Texas, and acquired her nickname "Babe" (after Babe Ruth) after she hit five home runs in a single baseball game. Both of her parents were immigrants from Norway.

Before I was ever in my teens, I knew exactly what I wanted to be when I grew up. My goal was to be the greatest athlete that ever lived.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson

Luck? Sure. But only after long practice and only with the ability to think under pressure.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson

Practice, which some regard as a chore, should be approached as just about the most pleasant recreation ever devised.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson

A couple of hours of practice is worth ten sloppy rounds.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson

The formula for success is simple: practice and concentration then more practice and more concentration.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson

It s not just enough to swing at the ball. You've got to loosen your girdle and really let the ball have it.

- Zaharias, Babe Didrikson



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