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### A Sister's Memoir

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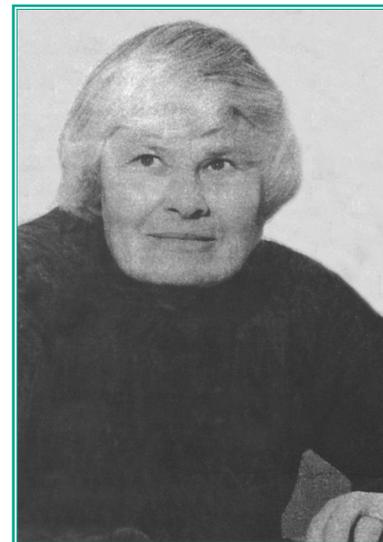
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**Margaret Ramsey's memoir** of her prodigious brother shows Frank Ramsey as clearly as if it were yesterday in the surroundings of his family, fellow scholars and friends. The life of an exceptional man is played out before our eyes against a background of a time that is now 'another country' but strangely linked in its manners and concerns to our own. A brilliant mathematician and a philosopher who belonged to the Cambridge of Moore, Russell and Wittgenstein (whose *Tractatus* he helped to translate while a student), he was the innovator of a new subject of economic philosophy, challenging Keynes on probability and contributing to taxation theory.

*Frank Ramsey 1903-1930* is not only the extraordinary story of a young genius. Margaret Paul brings to life an age – the twenties, a decade of interwar angst, both Freudian and political, and with it a roll call of exceptionally gifted men and women. The preoccupations of that time call out subtly to the world of today.

**Margaret Ramsey** was 12 years old when her brother Frank died. In an interview for the *Financial Times* in 1992 she explained how the memory of her elder brother Frank greatly influenced and shaped her life. It was probably because of him that, rather than reading English at Cambridge, she changed her mind and opted for philosophy and later economics. She was married to George Paul, an Oxford philosopher, and was herself a Tutor in Economics at St Hilda's College, and later a Fellow of Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford until her retirement in 1983, when Frank Ramsey was researched and written.

Both on account of her family background in Cambridge, and her own academic career in Oxford, Margaret Paul was equipped to give both a family history and insight into an exceptional mind.

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