



## Emilie and Subhas

### A True Love Story

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- Illustrated with forty-eight photographs from archives and family albums, this book is a unique record of the love story of Emilie and Subhas
- The author has delved deep into the extensive correspondence between Emilie and Subhas. She also shared a close friendship with Emilie that spanned decades, thereby giving us an intimate portrait of Emilie's life of fortitude

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