Extraordinary claims that the Queen Mother's real mother was her family's French cook are to be made in a sensational new book. Aristocratic author Lady Colin Campbell says the domestic help may have been an early version of surrogacy for both Elizabeth Bowes Lyon and her younger brother David. The cook, an attractive and pleasant Frenchwoman called Marguerite Rodiere, gave birth to the future Queen Elizabeth because her own mother Cecilia, who already had eight children, was unable to have any more. Elizabeth with her mother Cecilia in 1923. It has been claimed in a new book that a cook called Elizabeth Angela Marguerite Bowes-Lyon (4 August 1900 – 30 March 2002), known as Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother, or just The Queen Mother, was the wife (Queen Consort) of King George VI of the United Kingdom from 1936 until his death in 1952. After her husband's death, she was known as Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, so that she would not be confused with her elder daughter, Queen Elizabeth II. Before her husband became king, from 1923 to 1936 she was known as the Duchess of York. She was the last