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**He was the living son of a confederate soldier—even though it was 1994.**

He lived to be over 100 years old. He was the heir of the McCormick spice dynasty. He was born and bred a Southern, a Virginian, and most importantly a *Confederate Son*. And that is the title of his book.

Hugh McCormick remembers being a little boy and hearing war stories so stirring that he would hide under his bed when he thought he heard the Union Army coming. His dad, John McCormick, would masterfully recall those war stories in detail while showing the battle scars on his left arm.

But, beware. This is not just another Civil War book. This book is the legacy that a father wanted to leave for his son. This is a lesson in patriotism that a father wanted to teach his son. This is the faith of a father who had survived Gettysburg, the deadliest battle of the entire Civil War.

The reader will taste the passion, heartbreak, and horror of war. Not only did the South lose the war, but their way of life was now forever lost. It could only be kept alive by those who have lived it, could tell it, and wanted it recorded in more than just history books.

You'll learn

- what General Lee *really* thought about God and a victory for the South.
- why Grant did NOT want Lee hung.
- the “mysterious seven” also behind the assassination of Lincoln.

What makes this book unique is the “folksy, colloquial” way in which the story is told. There are hints of folklore and superstition as the antebellum way of life unfolds. You will recognize the historical events, but they are not just historical events. They are current events that are being relived and recounted firsthand by the McCormick family. You begin to feel that you know John McCormick personally.

You'll understand how important states' rights once were in American. Understand how with gay marriage and abortion, American is once again torn over the provision of states' rights. See how General Lee grappled with the issue of slavery but could not fight against it native Virginia.

*Confederate Son* strives to keep the readers in constant touch with how timeless war really is and how history is repeating itself and its own mistakes everyday. Anyone who can trace their ancestry back to the Civil War will want to ponder the age old question of whether the South would have won if Stonewall Jackson and Belle Boyd were not “accidentally” shot.

Retired historian and professor at James Madison University, Dr. Lawrence Neely, says, “This book is a must read for anyone who has ever been touched by war and lived to come home.”

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