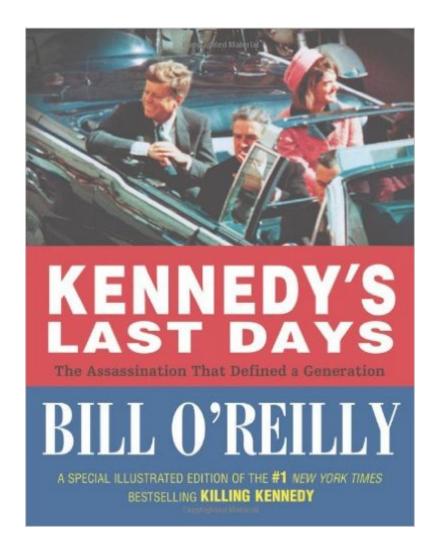
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Kennedy's Last Days: The Assassination That Defined A Generation





Synopsis

On a sunny day in Dallas, Texas, at the end of a campaign trip, President John Fitzgerald Kennedy is assassinated by an angry, lonely drifter named Lee Harvey Oswald. The former Marine Corps sharpshooter escapes briefly, but is hunted down, captured, and then shot dead while in police custody. Kennedy's Last Days is a gripping account of the events leading up to the most notorious crime of the twentieth century. Author Bill O'Reilly vividly describes the Kennedy family's life in the public eye, the crises facing the president around the world and at home, the nation's growing fascination with their vigorous, youthful president, and finally, the shocking events leading up to his demise. Adapted from Bill O'Reilly's best-selling historical thriller Killing Kennedy, with an unforgettable cast of characters, page-turning action, and art on every spread, Kennedy's Last Days is history that reads like a thriller. This exciting book will captivate adults and young readers alike.

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Customer Reviews

This riveting account of the horrific assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy is adapted from Bill O'Reilly's bestselling "Killing Kennedy." This fascinating, illustrated edition is designed for age 10 and over. The author chronicles a valuable, historical narrative of the tragedy that not only changed my generation, but the entire nation. Bill O'Reilly presents information on the shocking

events leading to the assassination, the political crisis JFK was facing, and life of JFK and his family in the public eye. In addition, the author describes an angry drifter, known as Lee Harvey Oswald, who was taken into police custody while accused of the most notorious crime of the twentieth century. The prime suspect escapes, is captured, then shot dead, and I remember quite well watching the TV with my dad as Oswald fell to the ground. This horrifying event repeated itself on the News, as much as the chaos of the scene of JFK in the car, after the shooting. One of the worst memories planted in my mind was JFK's funeral, with his wife and two very young helpless children as they stood in silence, while the entire country mourned. One of my best memories of when JFK took office was looking forward to his brother visiting my school, and always viewing the passion JFK had for his children. Bill O'Reilly describes in detail a gripping, thrilling story of a day that marked history as it shed darkness into the world. In conclusion, he also highlights a brave leader, a hero, and a President who wanted to make the world a better place to live in. My dad never forgot Pearl Harbor, my daughters will never forget 9/11 and I remember November 22, 1963, as if it were yesterday. Despite all conspiracy theories, questions unanswered about Oswald's reason for action, or if he acted alone and mysterious findings in the investigations, the answers will never be found. However, the terrifying assassination of JFK and the consequences of this tragedy, along with changes that took place in that era, can never be forgotten. Most important, there is indeed a marked difference in presenting a thrilling historical story that one is an expert on researching, in comparison to living through those uneasy years of sadness, chaos and discontent. Insightful, captivating, and concise. Highly recommended!--Geraldine Ahearn(Author Geri Ahearn)

Great book!! I guess I didn't read the details before I ordered it, so I didn't know it was written as a children's version (10 years old and up) of Bill O'Reilly's "Killing Kennedy." I thought about just giving it to my 10 year old stepdaughter without reading it, but decided I'd read it first. It was great!! It was an easy read, of course (phew!), but I learned a lot and thoroughly enjoyed it!! NOW, my stepdaughter can have it!! Well done, Mr. O'Reilly!!

This 300 page book is largely photographs and large print text. I am sure that the print could have fit on less than half the pages. However, this did make it a quick and easy read. I read it in an afternoon. I learned a few things I did not know about Kennedy's last days but was hoping for a little more controversy.

This is written for young people, but a senior I enjoyed it very much. Wonderful presentation of the

history and the pictures are excellent. O'Reilly's ability to present the story in such an interesting way makes reading history a pleasure.

Very similar to Killing Kennedy in fact a lot of the information word for word appears in both. If you've read Killing Kennedy do bother with this as most of the information is repeated here or vice a versa. Great read if you don't however own that book this one does the job very informal, but overall Killing Kennedy is probably more complete.

This is an excellent read. I'm a Baby Boomer and was alive when this event happened. The book was well researched and factual. It caught me up and I read it quickly. I highly recommend this book and a look at one of the darkest moments in the history of the USA.

I enjoyed the details surrounding JFK's assassination! Although I'm not a history buff, this read peaked my interest in the chronological events prior to and post assassination. I was unaware of the programs and the roles that he played in several things that exist today..

I am 87 years old and remember lay the events of the death of Kennedy. Not much was known about the details of that event. There were a lot of WHAT IFS and this book answered most of those questions!

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