

The Quilters: Women and Domestic Art

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Captures the reminiscences, spirit, and strength of the elderly quilters of Texas and New Mexico, viewing the women's works as personal expressions of their identities, experiences, and communities

"A moving oral history of the female pioneer settlers of Texas and New Mexico, this book brings to life the rural homesteads of turn-of-the-century America. The quilts these women make are a lovely compendium of family and community history. As their creators speak to us, we come to appreciate the vital place of women's art in the life of our country."--BOOK JACKET. "This book was the basis of the Broadway play The Quilters."--BOOK JACKET. When I was about four years old the neighbor's baby died, and all the women was called in to help. Mama knew what her part was because right away she took some blue silk out of her hope chest. I remember that silk so well because it was special and I got to carry it. When we got to the neighbor's some of the women was cooking and the men was making the casket. Mama and three other women set up the frame and quilted all day. First they quilted the lining for the casket, and then they made a tiny little quilt out of the blue silk to cover the baby.

Other Books

No Kids, No Money and a Chevy, PRAISE FOR CHUCK MANSFIELDS NO KIDS, NO MONEY AND A CHEVY A Politically Incorrect Memoir A New Book by a Former Marine and Vietnam War Veteran Of Chuck Mansfields No Kids, No Money and a Chevy award-winning novelist and essayist Cynthia Ozick writes, "Chuck Mansfield is a first-rate writer of wit, charm, and passion, who applies a clarifying integrity to whatever subject his fine mind alights on. Having been schooled in excellence, he holds it as his lifelong standard; and he is, besides, an embodiment of everything that is meant by the term American Hero - courtly, brave, generous, and in love with family, faith, and country. To read his memoir is to rejoice in the warm presence of human devotion and intellect." New York literary agency executive Jack Scovil calls No Kids, No Money and a Chevy "a fascinating read." He writes, Mansfield "come(s) through clearly as a very remarkable man who commits to life and the task before him with passion and dedication and integrity. Chaminade (High School)s reaction to the WTC tragedy (indeed the ethos of the whole Chaminade experience) was especially moving, and individual tributes to some of (Mansfields) fellow Marines quite affecting and inspiring. Some of (his) viewpoints and assessments couldnt be more timely; (his) critique of business practices fits right in with what were learning about the frauds at Enron and Global Crossing and (his) judgments of some societal trends are also in keeping with the climate of public opinion that has produced the current successes of OReilly and Buchanan. (His) litany of facts about the Vietnam War deserves to be widely circulated." Retired English professor and writer Robert P. Meikle writes that "everything in this book is the unfiltered (Mansfield): the impeccable use of language, the meticulous attention to detail, the total recall of dates Some are more successful than others when it comes to taking a really honest look at themselves. The trick is to translate that self-awareness onto the written page. It is that translation that (Mansfield does) so successfully. This is a guy who not only has had a good life, but who APPRECIATES all that he has had in (it), especially when it comes to family and friends. Thats an important distinction for that unknown reader to pick up on." New York attorney Paul G. Burns has written, "(Mansfields) work shares a problem common to each and every book that I totally and thoroughly enjoyed reading: it had a last page, an outstanding read!!" Rear Admiral Paul T. Gillcrist, USN (Ret.), former Assistant Deputy Chief of Naval Operations (Air Warfare), aircraft carrier

fighter pilot and author, says "I was enormously impressed" The Vietnam Era section in Mansfield's book, fully a third of the work, "represents the kind of personal history that needs to be told about all wars but about Vietnam particularly." According to P. Henry Mueller, retired Citigroup executive, author and Marine veteran of World War II, "A page-turner." No Kids, No Money and a Chevy "is hard to put down. The Vietnam portion is in the excellent style of Michener's Tales of the South Pacific. The character descriptions throughout the book are well done." The book is "packed with interest, and (the) politically incorrect views add an important and refreshing edge. Not only that, (Mansfield) present(s) (his) views in an instructive way." CEO and business owner Donald J. Steinert says, "I was most impressed with the way I am able to relate to your book as a former Marine Vietnam veteran." Please visit www.chuck-mansfield.com or contact Chuck Mansfield at (516) 741-1443 or chuckmans@aol.com. Thank you. A SUMMARY OF CHUCK MANSFIELD'S NO KIDS, NO MONEY AND A CHEVY A Politically Incorrect Memoir A New Book by a Former Marine and Vietnam War Vete

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