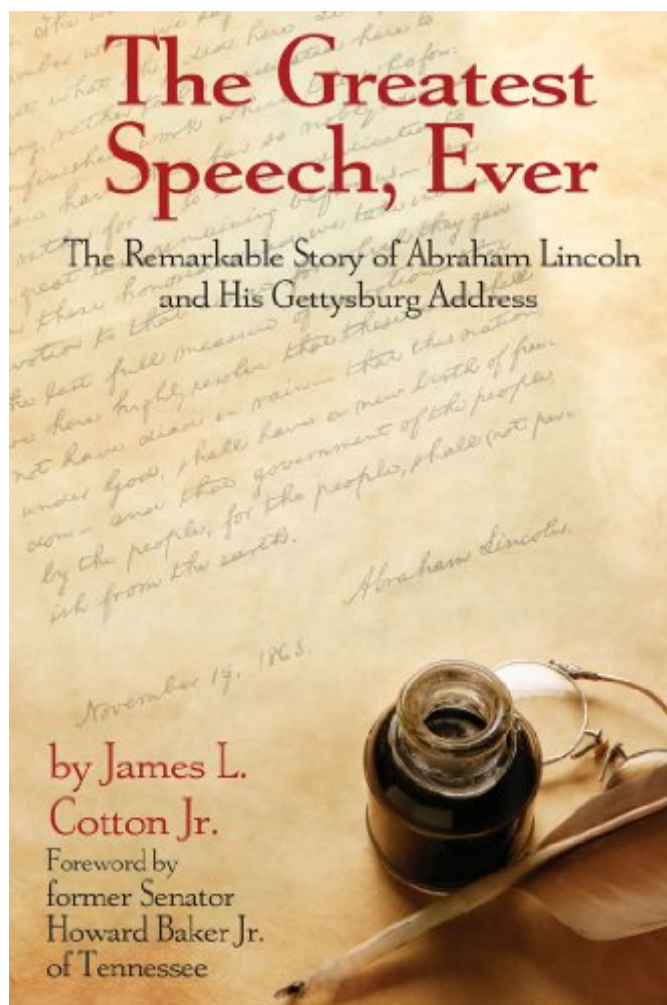


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The Greatest Speech, Ever: The Remarkable Story Of Abraham Lincoln And His Gettysburg Address



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This book was written to be more than a specialized monograph about the Gettysburg Address. The author digressed along the way into side excursions and back roads of Abraham Lincoln's remarkable life – exploring his hardscrabble childhood, and his courageous but controversial Emancipation Proclamation. After all, to fully understand how the Gettysburg Address came to be, one must understand how Abraham Lincoln came to be. Part of the greatness of the Gettysburg Address is that the DNA of Lincoln's life is found in every word. Senator Baker in his Foreword wrote – Judge Cotton's book is not only a fascinating and scholarly assessment of the Gettysburg Address and its impact on America, but also an absorbing look into Abraham Lincoln's life.

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The book is informative, and well written. It flows smoothly from the page and works softly with the eyes to make up a relaxing journey through the life of our sixteenth President. The Author cleverly manages to convert vaporous thought into more tangible, and lasting written word. This is a Must-Read for every historian from novice, to professor. James L. Cotton has solidified his place

among the most trusted, and educated scholars of today on the subject of Abraham Lincoln, and the Gettysburg Dedication. This work has highlighted the importance of of a single 272 word speech which gave hope to a starving country, and breathed new life back into a document which we must hold sacred as the most important philosophy of the American Experiment. I first met the good Judge sometime in the early nineties. It was through the haze of a three day drunk, on a two day weekend. I was drug from an early morning cell and propped up in front of the bench to face the consequences of my heinous actions. The Judge leaped from his chair, over his bench and came striking down on me like Zeus throwing a lighting-bolt...well,,maybe more like a fine and community service,,but pretty close..I'm not an educated man,,not even really a smart man, and usually I find reading material of this nature harder to chew than a two dollar steak. Not having means and being of what many considered Born-Low formal education escapes me. But just like the frontier Lincoln portrayed in the story, I had a thirst for knowledge. When I staggered into this book I did so the same way a first year college student would a School of Pedigree, with a fierce hang-over and smelling like the roach I'd just blazed down on in the parking lot.

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