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Reader Reviews

SEE WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING THAT HAVE READ THE BOOK.

I could go on and on about this book... it's definitely one that you'll read more than once and take something new from it each time.

I'm in my Thirties and have been around music most all of my life. As I read *Old Memories And Me*, I recognized some of the names and songs Charlie writes about in this book. It was a comforting feeling to see titles and artists that quickly took me back to a time I would dance in my Mee Maw's kitchen or watch my Paw Paw put on a record - - an actual vinyl record - - as he rubbed his finger across the record needle and it would sound out across the speakers on the front porch. It was great to learn more about those songs, lyrics or the story behind the song itself. I even found myself longing to research the titles that I had not heard of, like *Drifting Lovers* by Charlie McCoy and others, thinking to myself "Why had I not heard of these before?"

Several times throughout the book I shook my head in amazement as to how Charlie's life events that brought him to Music City mirrored even those arriving today years and years later and how relevant they are.

Charlie talks about his band that would play at the Doghouse Lounge on Dickerson. As I read about those stories, I remember thinking "Wow, I should post a request for any recordings of live shows back then" just to see if I could somehow capture more of Charlie from that window in time. The more I read, the more I wanted to learn more about this man.

The way he tells his story, I felt so connected to places I had never even visited, like Watts Mill where Charlie grew up... and more so to those places I'm familiar with around Nashville.

This is a wonderful book and I'm so grateful that it made it to print so I could read it. Missing out on it would have been a shame. THANK YOU CHARLIE CRAIG!!!

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