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## LIVINGSTON KENDRA

*Elvis: A Biography* Abacus

Hailed as "a masterpiece" by the Wall Street Journal, *Careless Love* is the full, true, and mesmerizing story of Elvis Presley's last two decades, in the long-awaited second volume of Peter Guralnick's masterful two-part biography. Winner of the Ralph J. Gleason Music Book Award Last Train to Memphis, the first part of Guralnick's two-volume life of Elvis Presley, was acclaimed by the New York Times as "a triumph of biographical art." This concluding volume recounts the second half of Elvis' life in rich and previously unimagined detail, and confirms Guralnick's status as one of the great biographers of our time. Beginning with Presley's army service in Germany in 1958 and ending with his death in Memphis in 1977, *Careless Love* chronicles the unravelling of the dream that once shone so brightly, homing in on the complex playing-out of Elvis' relationship with his Machiavellian manager, Colonel Tom Parker. It's a breathtaking revelatory drama that for the first time places the events of a too-often mistold tale in a fresh, believable, and understandable context. Elvis' changes during these years form a tragic mystery that *Careless Love* unlocks for the first time. This is the quintessential American story, encompassing elements of race, class, wealth, sex, music, religion, and personal transformation. Written with grace, sensitivity, and passion, *Careless Love* is a unique contribution to our understanding of American popular culture and the nature of success, giving us true insight at last into one of the most misunderstood public figures of our times.

**Elvis, what Happened?** Aurum

One of the most admired Southern historians of our time paints an intimate portrait of Elvis Presley, set against the rich backdrop of Southern society, that illuminates the zenith of his career, showing how Elvis himself changed—and didn't—and providing a deeper understanding of the man and his times.

[Our Untold Story of Elvis' Missing Years](#) Cooper Square Press

A monumental oral biography filled with raucous joy, aching loss and terrible poignancy, *Elvis & the Memphis Mafia* is the first book to capture the King – the man and the phenomenon – in his full complexity. Through revealing interviews with three of Elvis's closest friends, who were also his protectors and rescuers, Nash achieves the first true mapping of Elvis's psyche. Billy Smith – Elvis's first cousin and the person he reputedly loved most after his own mother – Marty Lacker – best man at his wedding and foreman of the 'Memphis Mafia', the King's handpicked group of gatekeepers and confidants – and Lamar Fike – the touring crew member who accompanied him into the Army – were with Elvis from his teens to his final days and provide unique access to the greatest of all rock and roll legends. The revelations cut through

every aspect of Elvis's life, from the childhood seeds of his drug dependency, through his fear for his mother's life and his plan to change his identity, to his bizarre self-mutilation. No one who reads this symphonic blending of three proud, ribald, sad and ultimately wistful voices can fail to be profoundly moved.

**Elvis Presley** J.D. Rockefeller

Listening in on public conversation that recreates Elvis after death, Marcus tracks Presley's resurrection. He grafts together snatches of film, music, books, newspapers, photos, posters, and cartoons, and amazes us with what America has been saying as it raises its late king--and also what this obsession with dead Elvis says about America itself.

*Elvis and the Colonel* Little, Brown

A devoted son. A generous friend. A model Army recruit. A gifted entertainer. A beloved hero to millions. This is the Elvis Presley the world knew -- and cherished. Brooding. Violent. Obsessed with death. Strung out. Sexually driven. This is the other side of Elvis -- according to the three men who lived with him through it all -- a man who: \* Chamed a beautiful young fan into joining him on a drug binge for two that nearly killed her \* Took a group of friends on a 3 A.M. visit to a mortuary to look at corpses and talk about embalming \* Hurlled a pool cue at a party guest who interrupts his game, injuring her breast \* Talked with his bodyguard about a "hit" on the man he felt stole his wife Steve Dunleavy has woven together the experiences of three Presley bodyguards who were there partying with him, womanizing with him, worrying with him -- tasting the pleasure and the pains of life with the most fabulous star in showbiz history!

**Me and a Guy Named Elvis** ECW Press

Gives the reader personal insight into the music and world of Elvis. Fully illustrated throughout.

*Elvis and Gladys* Glendale House Pub

Through Elvis's rise to fame and the wild swirl of his celebrity, Klein was a steady presence and a loyal friend until Presley's untimely death in 1977. Includes never-before-published photos from Klein's personal collection.

[Chicago Cubs, 1926-1940](#) Signet

*Elvis: Still Taking Care of Business* is arguably the most authentic, no-holds-barred depiction of the greatest entertainer who ever lived. This is the book that the estate doesn't want you to read—it's a balanced, respectful, and insightful look by a true Presley insider and carter member of the infamous Memphis Mafia. Sonny West, Presley's close friend and bodyguard for nearly two decades, provides a firsthand account of the King's lavish spending sprees and many charitable acts, as well as the many affairs Presley conducted with his costars. Among all of Elvis Presley's close associates, no one tells stories that are more entertaining than Sonny West—he can mesmerize audiences for hours with his Elvis tidbits.

[Elvis and Me](#) Elvis, what Happened?The Death of ElvisWhat Really

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**The King and Dr. Nick** eBookIt.com

Elvis Presley is the single biggest personality in American popular culture. Over three decades after his death in August 1977, he remains the undisputed king of rock-n-roll. Featuring a wealth of first-hand interviews, Elvis combines Jerry Hopkins's two previous classic bestselling Elvis biographies - *Elvis: A Biography* and *Elvis: The Final Years* - with all-new material to give the definitive detailed account of Presley's fantastic life.

**The Life and Death of Elvis Presley** Univ. Press of Mississippi Based on unprecedented research and interviews, this authoritative biography of Colonel Tom Parker (1909-1997) includes new revelations and insights into rock music's most renowned and notorious manager.

**The Death of Elvis** Berkley Publishing Group

'Gladys Love and Elvis Presley: Where No One Stands Alone' by Darrin Lee Memmer is a 200+ page soft cover available on Amazon.com in traditional A4 format (\$12.00 USD \* e12.00 \* £10.00). This project is dedicated to Mrs. Janelle McComb, a wonderful lady instrumental in establishing The Tupelo Birthplace and Chapel. WILLIAM T. MILES: The person most responsible for the success of Elvis Presley? Credit for lasting success must be given to the late mother of Elvis, Mrs. Gladys Smith Presley. Humbleness is the word used most by Tupelo residents who remember her. Another term used to describe Mrs. Presley was "beautiful." All of those who remember her are in complete agreement in describing the singer's mother as the "sweetest woman with the best personality" they ever knew. You carefully comb through each/every Elvis Presley biography in your library and total up all of the quality, truth-based quotes about (and by) Gladys Love Presley. This sum will be a tiny fraction of what the author has assembled within the pages of 'Gladys Love and Elvis Presley: Where No One Stands Alone!' MAE AXTON: Through the parentage of two fine people, Vernon and Gladys Presley, God gave us a very special young man to walk the paths of earth, and through [career] guidance, the paths Elvis walked wound through the intricate lives of so many millions of people, and his light still shines on in a Universe that really needed someone like Elvis Aaron Presley... God love him! IN HONORThis 2nd edition of 'Gladys Love and Elvis Presley' is published in honor of Pat Medford Booth and May Mann. JAMES BLACKWOOD: I remember Elvis went over to his mother's casket. He was crying and he leaned over to his mother. He said, "Mama, I would give every dime I have and go back to digging ditches, just to have you

back." This soft cover boasts fascinating, contemporaneous quotes printed in 'Elvis "The Cat" Presley' from Marion Keisker, Scotty Moore, D.J. Fontana, Mae Boren Axton ('Heartbreak Hotel' co-writer, promoter of 1955/56 Jacksonville personal appearances), Bob Neal, George Klein, Evan "Buzzy" Forbess, Oscar Davis, Pat Medford Booth, James & Gladys Tipler (Crown Electric Co.), Gordon Stoker, Ray Walker, James Blackwood, Jack Carter, Mrs. Faye Harris and more - often in print for the first time! LLOYD SHEARER: Matty Brescia, a correspondent for Variety, was with me the first day I called on Elvis in Memphis. Recently I checked my notes against his memory." "Could it be true," I asked him, "that Mrs. Presley insisted upon serving breakfast to you and me and a black maid instead of having the maid serve us?" Brescia says he will never forget that day. MATTY BRESCIA: There were two black maids, not one. And Gladys Presley served them both. She was the sweetest woman there ever was. MAY MANN: Reports said Mrs. Presley tipped and that it was alcohol that made her ill so often. Yet here was Elvis, who didn't drink or smoke, while the serenity shined on the faces of Elvis and Gladys and Vernon bespoke the lies of such rumors-as I was to find out. The kind of soft-spoken, wholesome, unpretentious people you instinctively felt by their demeanor were honest and God-fearing. JOE "BITSEY" SAVERY: You could just feel Elvis' love for Gladys. He opened doors for her, helped her into her seat and the way he looked at her, you could just feel it.

#### **The Curious Life of Elvis Presley's Eccentric Manager**

Colchis Books

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Elvis Presley's fiancée and last love tells her story and sets the record straight in this deeply personal memoir that reveals what really happened in the final years of the King of Rock n' Roll. Elvis Presley and Graceland were fixtures in Ginger Alden's life; after all, she was born and raised in Memphis, Tennessee. But she had no idea that she would play a part in that enduring legacy. For more than three decades Ginger has held the truth of their relationship close to her heart. Now she shares her unique story... In her own words, Ginger details their whirlwind romance—from first kiss to his stunning proposal of marriage. And for the very first time, she talks about the devastating end of it all and the fifty thousand mourners and reporters who descended on Graceland in 1977, exposing Ginger to the reality of living in the spotlight of a short yet immortal life. Above it all, Ginger rescues Elvis from the hearsay, rumors, and

tabloid speculations of his final year by shedding a frank yet personal light on a very public legend. From a unique and intimate perspective, she reveals the man—complicated, romantic, fallible, and human—behind the myth, a superstar worshipped by millions and loved by Ginger Alden. INCLUDES PHOTOS

[Thirty Pieces of Silver](#) Fox Reflections Pub

The Chicago Cubs of the mid-1920s through 1940 were one of the most talented and exciting ball clubs the city ever produced. The Northsiders enjoyed 14 consecutive winning seasons and claimed the National League pennant four times (1929, 1932, 1935, and 1938), but fell to a dominant American League club in each World Series appearance. Four legendary baseball names led these Cub teams during this amazing stretch. Three eventually landed in Cooperstown (McCarthy, Hornsby, Hartnett), and many believe the fourth (Grimm) should have joined them. This was also the era when Cubs Park was transformed into Wrigley Field, under the guidance of Bill Veeck Jr., with its trademark bricks and ivy, hand-operated scoreboard, and outfield bleachers.

Triumph Books (IL)

This well-researched probe into Elvis Presley's death includes interviews with Colonel Tom Parker, conclusive autopsy documents, and a thorough account of the autopsy and why its findings are so hotly debated

**Colonel Tom Parker** Createspace Independent Publishing Platform

The idea of "The Green Book" is to give the Motorist and Tourist a Guide not only of the Hotels and Tourist Homes in all of the large cities, but other classifications that will be found useful wherever he may be. Also facts and information that the Negro Motorist can use and depend upon. There are thousands of places that the public doesn't know about and aren't listed. Perhaps you know of some? If so send in their names and addresses and the kind of business, so that we might pass it along to the rest of your fellow Motorists. You will find it handy on your travels, whether at home or in some other state, and is up to date. Each year we are compiling new lists as some of these places move, or go out of business and new business places are started giving added employment to members of our race.

*What Really Happened* Ballantine Books

Elvis, what Happened?The Death of ElvisWhat Really Happened *Elvis: My Best Man* Steamroller Pub Llc

Destined to become the most examined and talked about book

since Elvis, What Happened?. NO MATTER WHAT YOU HAVE EVER READ BEFORE...ELVIS-STRAIGHT UP! WILL CHANGE THE WAY YOU LOOK AT ELVIS PRESLEY. What was the "real"Elvis like? The search for the truth is over!Elvis always lovingly and with true admiration referred to Joe Esposito as "Gentleman Joe." In the 35 years that I have known him, Joe has continued to conduct himself in that fashion. You only need to read his latest book to get a true understanding of who Joe is, and a clearer picture of who Elvis and his friends and lovers were, and what life with the King involved. I love you, Joe....thanks for being a true friend to me and to Elvis....even today. - Linda Thompson, Elvis' girlfriend and confidant, 1972-1976Loved the book. Joe tells the truth about Elvis's colleagues and friends.- Patti Parry, close friend of Elvis' since the early sixtiesIn "Elvis Straight Up" Joe gives a realistic look at Elvis and those around him. Thanks, Joe, for having the courage to be truthful and giving those "on the outside" real information, not just supposition. For fans who are tired of fictionalized stories and sugar-coated variations, this is the book to read. Be informed by one who knows. - Loanne Parker, Mrs.Colonel Tom Parker, manager of Elvis Presley

**The Elvis Conspiracy?** Liveright Publishing

The sole survivor on a desperate, last-chance mission to save both humanity and the earth, Ryland Grace is hurtled into the depths of space when he must conquer an extinction-level threat to our species.

**The Rise of Elvis Presley** Harper Collins

[Alanna] Nash belongs in the pantheon of great music writers, and [Baby, Let's Play House] is a fascinating study." —Rosanne Cash Just in time for Elvis Presley's would-be 75th birthday comes a new book by Elvis expert, journalist, and Country Music Association Media Achievement Award winner Alanna Nash. Called "by far the best study of Presley I have ever read. . . Impressively researched written—and felt" by New York Times bestselling author Philip Norman (author of John Lennon and Shout!) and "the most entertaining Elvis book ever" by New York Times bestselling author Jimmy McDonough (Shakey: Neil Young's Biography), Baby, Let's Play House is the first-ever Elvis book to focus solely on his complex relationships with women, including celebrities such as Ann-Margret, Linda Thompson, Mary Ann Mobley, Cher, Raquel Welch, Barbara Eden, and Cybill Shepherd. Featuring dozens of exclusive interviews and scores of never-before-seen photos, Baby, Let's Play House is a must-have collector's item for fans of The King everywhere.

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