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Between 1915 and 1923, over one million Armenians died, victims of a genocidal campaign that is still denied by the Turkish government. Thousands of other Armenians suffered torture, brutality, deportation. Yet their story has received scant attention. Through interviews with a hundred elderly Armenians, Donald and Lorna Miller give the "forgotten genocide" the hearing it deserves. Survivors raise important issues about genocide and about how people cope with traumatic experience. Much here is wrenchingly painful, yet it also speaks to the strength of the human spirit.

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Kat says

A good read on a largely forgotten aspect of history.

Zabel says

I've been reading this book since college (over 15 years now). I halted in my reading probably because the authors were thorough in describing the Armenian Genocide and it became too sorrowful to read. I do plan to finish it. I gave it 4 stars and would have given it 5 stars if not for the horror of this part of Armenian history. I'm grateful for the elderly Armenians who were willing to relive nightmares from their past so that the rising generation could know of the roots from which they come.

Renee says

Great history. Well-written with minimal bias. But it's not a pretty history -- quite depressing yet important to know.

Sev Mardi says

Very well written book. The research is impressive. At some points felt really sad as I was reading it, the writers did great job at the end.

Megan Blood says

It requires some talent to take the personal stories of survivors of the Armenian Genocide and turn them into an incredibly boring book.

This would have been much more powerful if they had just given us the stories whole instead of tearing them into little pieces: Violence against Women & Children, etc.

I understand what they were trying to do, but I think it would have been better served by just letting the stories speak for themselves. All the additional commentary/philosophy/supporting evidence should have been condensed into an introduction or conclusion, not left to interrupt the stories themselves.
