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Robert Edward Lee (January 19, 1807 – October 12, 1870) was an American and Confederate soldier, best known as a commander of the Confederate States Army. He commanded the Army of Northern Virginia in the American Civil War from 1862 until his surrender in 1865.

A son of Revolutionary War officer Henry "Light Horse Harry" Lee III, Lee was a top graduate of the United States Military Academy and an exceptional officer and military engineer in the United States Army for 32 years. During this time, he served throughout the United States, distinguished himself during the Mexican–American War, and served as Superintendent of the United States Military Academy.

Fitzhugh Lee (1835 - 1905) was a Confederate cavalry general in the American Civil War, the 40th Governor of Virginia, diplomat, and United States Army general in the Spanish–American War. He was the son of Sydney Smith Lee, a captain in the Confederate States Navy, and the nephew of General Robert E. Lee.

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John Yelverton says

Robert E. Lee's nephew writes a brilliant biography with keen insights not only on his uncle's personal life, but his military life and tactics as well, as Fitzhugh Lee served himself as a Major General in both the Confederate and later United States Army.

Peter F Stephens says

A Great Story

Buy this book for some high schooler and spark a passion for History. Recommended for middle school, high school, even college. The contents is college level but the writing level is clear and simple.

Classic story of a true American hero; truth, justice, and the American way. I wish there were books like this when I went to high school.

Jean says

interesting post mortem (literally) by Fitzhugh Lee, a nephew of R.E., since Lee died just 5 years after the war and probably never would have written down his thoughts anyway. Interesting because it is a "period" piece, with content intended to put the family, the state of Virginia, slavery, the motivations for the South in the war, etc., in a rational light to show their virtue. For example, slavery was OK because they were civilizing the Africans and bringing them into Christianity, which the author explains as a long process that could take millenia to do correctly, which is compares to Christ's legacy with the church, i.e., he died 2000 years ago and yet "Christianizing" the world is still a work in progress 2000 years later.

Proof that we need to be vigilant about examining our own cultural beliefs at all times!

Jenna Golik says

Slow moving book.detail oriented . many interesting tidbits you do not readin history.

General Lee was such a religious person and a family person.. After reading this book , I can not understand why they took his statue down .

Richard Myers says

Great book!

The author General Fitzhugh Lee goes into detail on every battle of the war and gives great insight into what Lee was thinking about during those times.
