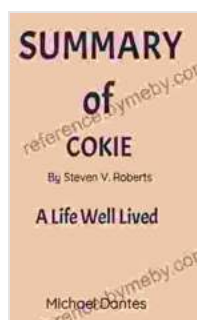


Cokie: A Life Well Lived - A Captivating Journey of an American Icon

In the annals of American journalism, few names resonate with as much integrity, intelligence, and grace as Cokie Roberts. With a career spanning over four decades, Roberts left an indomitable mark on the media landscape, becoming a trusted voice for millions of Americans. Her ability to distill complex political issues with clarity and her unwavering commitment to truth-telling earned her widespread respect and admiration.

In 2021, her husband, esteemed author Steven Roberts, penned a poignant and intimate biography, "Cokie: A Life Well Lived," offering a deeply personal account of his beloved wife's extraordinary life and career. This meticulously researched and deeply moving memoir provides an unparalleled glimpse into the woman behind the public persona, revealing her struggles, triumphs, and the profound impact she had on her family, colleagues, and the nation as a whole.



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Early Life and Career

Colleen "Cokie" Roberts was born into a prominent political family in New Orleans, Louisiana, on December 27, 1943. Her father, Hale Boggs, was a Democratic congressman and later House Majority Leader, while her mother, Corinne Claiborne "Lind" Boggs, was the first woman to serve as mayor of New Orleans. Growing up in such a politically charged environment, Cokie developed a keen interest in public affairs at an early age.

After graduating from Wellesley College, Cokie embarked on her journalism career in 1968. Her first job was working as a reporter for the Washington D.C.-based newspaper *The Congressional Quarterly*. She quickly rose through the ranks, becoming a respected political analyst and commentator. In 1978, she joined ABC News, where she became a household name as a co-anchor of the groundbreaking program "This Week with David Brinkley."

Rise to Prominence

Cokie Roberts' career blossomed in the 1980s and 1990s as she became one of the most influential and respected journalists in the country. Her incisive political analysis, coupled with her ability to make complex issues understandable to viewers, made her a trusted source of information for Americans across the political spectrum.

In addition to her work on "This Week," Cokie also hosted her own interview program on NPR called "The Cokie Roberts Show," which ran

from 1988 to 2002. She also authored several books on politics and history, including "Capital Dames: The Civil War and the Women of Washington, 1848-1868" and "Ladies of Liberty: The Women Who Shaped Our Nation."

Political Insights and Integrity

Cokie Roberts was known for her unwavering commitment to fair and balanced journalism. She never shied away from challenging the powerful, regardless of their political affiliation. Her reporting on the Watergate scandal and the Iran-Contra affair set a high standard for investigative journalism and earned her widespread praise.

Beyond her specific reporting, Cokie Roberts also provided invaluable insights into the inner workings of American politics. Her deep understanding of the legislative process and her ability to connect with politicians from both sides of the aisle gave her a unique perspective that she shared with her audience.

Personal Life and Legacy

Cokie Roberts married fellow journalist Steven Roberts in 1966. The couple had two children, Rebecca and Lee. Throughout her life, Cokie prioritized her family while maintaining a demanding career. She was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she often spoke about the importance of finding a work-life balance.

Cokie Roberts passed away on September 17, 2019, at the age of 75, after a long and courageous battle with breast cancer. Her death was met with an outpouring of grief and tributes from politicians, journalists, and the public alike. She left behind an indelible legacy as a trailblazing journalist, a

tireless advocate for truth, and a role model for women and girls everywhere.

Exploring "Cokie: A Life Well Lived"

Steven Roberts' biography, "Cokie: A Life Well Lived," is a must-read for anyone interested in American journalism, politics, and the life of an extraordinary woman. Through extensive research and personal anecdotes, Roberts paints a vivid portrait of his wife, capturing her intelligence, wit, and unwavering dedication to her craft.

The book is divided into three parts, each focusing on a different stage of Cokie's life. The first part, "A Storybook Childhood," explores her early years in New Orleans and her immersion in the world of politics. The second part, "A Life in Broadcasting," chronicles her rise to prominence as a journalist and political commentator. The third part, "A Woman of Influence," examines her later years, including her battles with cancer and her continued commitment to public service.

Cokie Roberts' life was a testament to the power of integrity, intelligence, and perseverance. Through her groundbreaking journalism and her unwavering commitment to truth-telling, she left an indelible mark on American society. Steven Roberts' "Cokie: A Life Well Lived" is a fitting tribute to his beloved wife, offering an intimate and inspiring account of her extraordinary life and legacy.

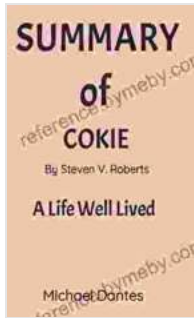
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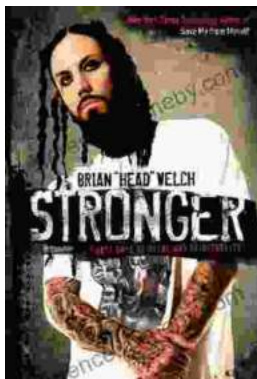
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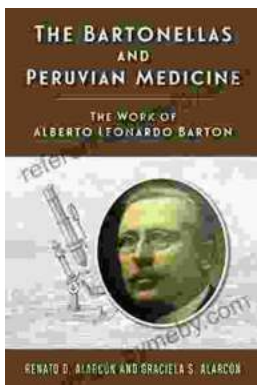


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