



Legendary Locals of Fort Myers

By Reaves, Gerri

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Generously illustrated with historic black-and-white images, the book varies from most histories' formats by focusing on characters rather than chronology. It illuminates members of the region's various communities -- not just politicians and businesspeople -- and it explores personalities both present and past, alive and dead. The late coach Wes Nott, who taught thousands of area kids to swim is featured, along with superstar athlete Deion Sanders. So is Emmy award-wining flute player Kat Epple as well as internationally acclaimed organist, the late Billy Nalle, who made music for more than...

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