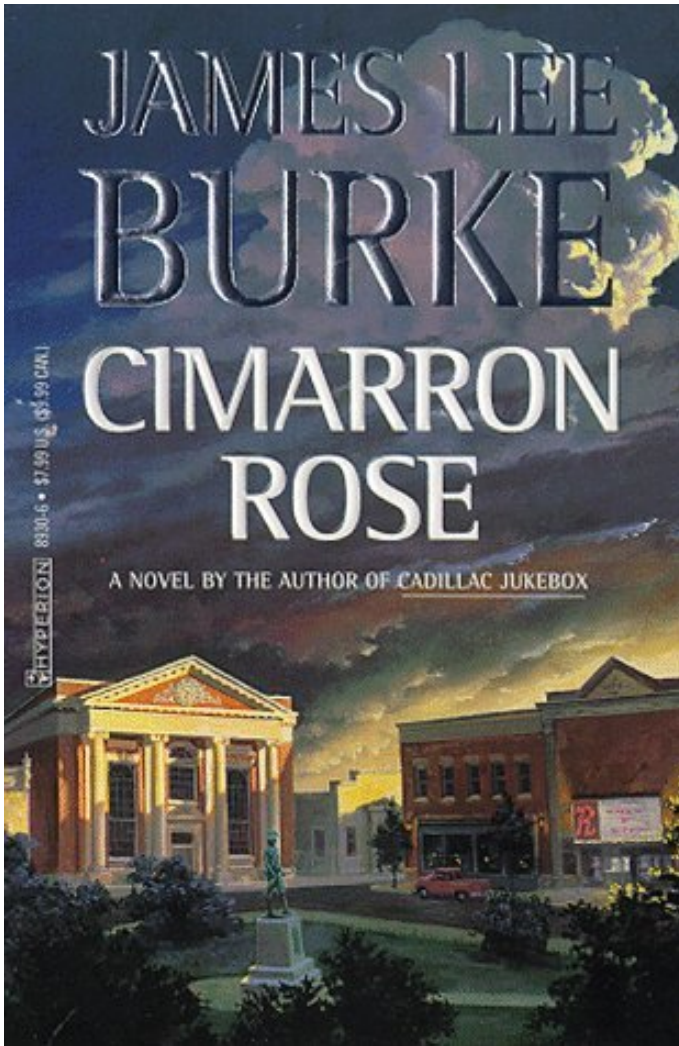

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Description

Texas attorney and former Texas Ranger Billy Bob Holland has many secrets in his dark past. Among them is Vernon Smothers' son Lucas, a teenaged boy about whom only Vernon and Billy Bob know the truth. Lucas is really Billy Bob's illegitimate son, and when Lucas is arrested for murder, Billy Bob knows that he has no choice but to confront the past and serve as the boy's criminal attorney. During Lucas's trial, Billy Bob realizes that he will have to bring injury upon Lucas as well as himself in order to save his son. And as a result, Billy Bob creates enemies that are far more dangerous than any he had faced as a Texas Ranger.

Insightful reviews

Beth McIntyre: This is the one he signed for me...I gave him 2 roses, and he wrote, "Thanks for the flowers." He looks like the Marlboro Man...in a good way, and reminds me of my grandpa.

Leon Aldrich: I've heard for a long time that Burke is a top notch writer. I am glad to finally add him to my pantheon of "must read" authors.

Poppy Fields: Great book with a strong lead character and plenty of action. It kept me guessing until the end has James Lee Burke's fantastic imagery through out the tale. I will definitely read the next in the series.

David: the very first thing i would like to claim is that Burke's writing is BEAUTIFUL. it truly is jam-packed with outstanding prose and imagery and you may nearly odor the flora, listen the fauna, and consider the history. no matter if you hate the plot or dislike the characters, i feel you may be drawn in through his expert writing. Billy Bob Holland is an enigma. Obviously, his psyche is extremely scared through the guilt he feels over his friend, L.Q. Navarro. the writer permits the reader to make a decision if the appearances of the long-dead L.Q. Navarro are hauntings, severe mental hallucinations, or just a proposal strategy that Holland makes use of by means of imagining what L.Q. might say approximately his current circumstances. Holland is doing his most sensible to guide a non-violent life, yet evidently during this series, he's not able to take action as he retains getting drawn into. this is often pretty well a similar with all of Burke's heroes. they're all males who're scarred and damage by way of violence. I completely loved the grandfather's magazine that Holland saved going again to and reading. i assume i'm a piece dense simply because I simply did not see the way it tied into Holland's current situations other than that his grandfather felt pushed\compelled to a violent act to accommodate evil males and Holland used to be feeling an analogous pressure. the only grievance is that the grandfather's prose used to be an ideal fit for the remainder of the radical and it may have differed in tone and style. Still, i'd like it if Burke was once to jot down the grandfather's magazine as a stand by myself novel. I mean, that was, in lots of ways, the simplest a part of the novel. And it is just after analyzing this that I become aware of it's the FIRST of the Billy Bob Holland novels.. loads of this novel is spent, like such a lot of smooth novels, and nearly each Burke novel i've got learn to doate, in bluster and threats. there are many verbal confrontations the place characters inform one another that they larger watch their backs. Even the hot sheriff bargains threatening verbiage in the direction of Holland. everyone threatens all people or warns Billy Bob

approximately what a foul personality that Moon is and what sort of threat he's in. i am getting so uninterested in both Billy Bob or within the different series, Dave, seeing a few man riding out to his position to make threats, or a few unusual personality behind his property. there's such repetition of this attitude in Burke's novels as to be annoying. "There's a wierd guy down on the fishing hole!" Or "There's a few strangers sitting at the dock" -- or "I observed a determine slip below the cord at the bottom of the property.. might be he used to be simply stealing watermelons." these should not actual quotes, yet in nearly each Burke novel there are a number of incidents like that. regardless of these complaints.. Burke's skill to painting a southern culture, a southern history, a southern think to his novels, is so compelling as to maintain me examining them. I will not surrender on Burke just because his descriptive type is so genuine and the imagery is so vivid.

Paul Nelson: "Sometimes you've received to set people's point of view straight." Cimarron Rose introduces one other member of the Holland extended family in Billy Bob Holland, a former Texas Ranger and kingdom prosecutor grew to become safeguard lawyer. Billy Bob as with every James Lee Burke characters comes with an honesty tainted with darkness that makes those brooding impossible to resist forces awfully robust and intriguing. My favorite approach to storytelling is by means of a long way first individual aspect of view, whilst performed correct it places you within the character, you are feeling and imagine what they think and imagine and Burke is likely one of the most sensible exponents at the market. His descriptive prose is either palpable and epic, his heroes touched now and then with a heaviness that weighs at the sense of right and wrong like a constant shadow or a dishonourable ethical judgement! continually spotlight an unlimited volume of rates while examining Burkes paintings and i'm going to depart a few dotted via my assessment as always. I may perhaps nearly see the knotted innovations in his eyes as he sought for the capture he continuously present in different people's words. 'Ok to the story, Billy Bob is requested to symbolize his illegitimate teenage son accused of raping and beating a female friend to death, younger Lucas recollects not anything and was once present in an alcohol fuelled subconscious kingdom in his truck together with his pants down. 'The backyard appeared choked with shadows that leaped and broke aside and reformed themselves within the wind. 'During his delving our protagonist has to house a crazed serial killer with hyperlinks to his father, a DEA investigation, a crooked Mexican narc and the wealthy and strong Vanzandt kin whose son is a combined bag of substances and trouble. And the ghost of his lifeless partner, a common attempt on his sanity. 'The resentment in her voice was once like a child's, muted, grew to become inward, resonant with fear. 'Within the tale Billy Bob reads from the magazine of his nice grandfather Sam, a publication inside of a e-book within which Sam is kind of focused on a local American girl named Jennie, that's the Christian identify of the Rose of Cimarron an outlaw legend. 'Her smile used to be attenuated, wan, a triumphant acceptance of the assent she had extracted from me. Then I observed it in her eyes. She had already revised him and put him within the past, assigning him characteristics he by no means had, because the roles of widow and proprietress melded jointly in her new life. 'Don't get me mistaken I completely loved this, i like James Lee Burkes type of writing, seeing throughout the very soul of your protagonist is exhilarating yet I had a number of minor matters with the Cimarron Rose. to begin with i could not see what the magazine of his nice grandfather truly further to the story, appeared a bit an excuse to call drop a couple of notorious outlaws from the West and the ghost of his associate accomplishing conversations and supplying recommendation did not relatively do it for me.

ultimately i do not believe Billy Bob Is a protection lawyer, the court docket room stuff did not slot in along with his personality he's definitely extra of a coarse and prepared legislations guy type. Still even my least favorite of JLB's to date is definitely worthy four stars. Also published at <http://paulnelson.booklikes.com/post/...>

Tracie: Oof, this used to be everywhere in the place. there have been a number of elements the place i might begin to get into it, then the tone could shift and i would lose interest and set it aside. this is not a booklet i used to be ever demise to maintain reading. an individual attempted to explain it as western noir, yet quite it really is only a shit romance novel for men. there have been at the very least 4 separate tales happening here, and i might like to inform you that they cleverly mesh together, yet they don't. At all. I spent the full e-book going, "Wait, what does his great-grandfather's magazine need to do with any of this?" See also: the haunting ghost of his lifeless most sensible friend. See also: the total personality and storyline, if that is what you must name it, of Garland Moon. And simply wait until eventually you get to the trial. The violence is additionally thoroughly out of left field, and it is going nowhere. this can be a small city and that i take into consideration forty humans have been killed via the top of the tale yet everyone's like, eh, you should have that from time to time.

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