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Ronald Reagan: A Twentieth Century Life Up Close is a comprehensive biography of one of the most consequential figures in American history. Drawing on extensive research and exclusive interviews, author Lou Cannon offers a revealing and intimate portrait of Reagan, from his early years as a small-town actor to his rise to the presidency and beyond.

The Early Years

Ronald Reagan was born in Tampico, Illinois, in 1911. His father, Jack, was a shoe salesman. His mother, Nelle, was a devout Christian Scientist.

Reagan had an older brother, Neil, and a younger sister, Margaret.

Reagan spent his childhood in Dixon, Illinois. He was a bright and curious child, and he loved to read and learn. He also enjoyed playing sports, and he was a talented athlete.

Reagan attended Eureka College, where he studied economics and sociology. He graduated in 1932, and he then moved to Hollywood to pursue a career in acting.

The Hollywood Years

Reagan's acting career began slowly. He appeared in a number of small roles in B-movies and Westerns. But in 1940, he landed a starring role in the film *Knute Rockne, All American*. The film was a huge success, and it made Reagan a star.

Reagan went on to star in a number of popular films throughout the 1940s and 1950s. He was known for his handsome looks, his charming personality, and his conservative political views.

The Political Career

In 1964, Reagan was elected governor of California. He served two terms as governor, and he became known for his conservative policies and his strong support for the Vietnam War.

In 1980, Reagan was elected president of the United States. He served two terms as president, and he is considered one of the most consequential presidents in American history.

Reagan is best known for his conservative policies, his strong leadership during the Cold War, and his commitment to free market capitalism.

The Legacy

Ronald Reagan died in 2004. He is remembered as one of the most important and influential figures in American history. His legacy continues to be debated today, but there is no doubt that he was a transformative figure who shaped the course of American history.

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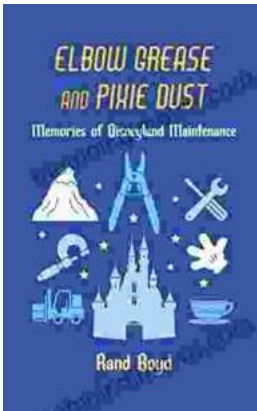
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