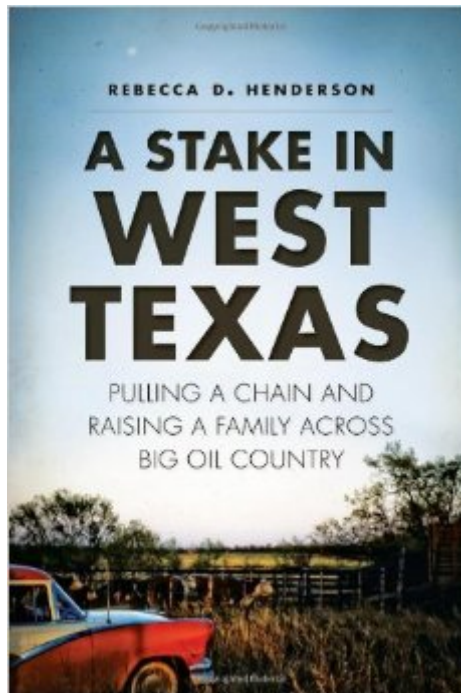


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In 1950, Ann was eighteen and Bob D twenty when he asked her to marry him and hit the road for West Texas. They packed their station wagon, left home and began a life of adventure together on Conoco's West Texas survey crew during the 1950s oil boom. Five kids, twenty-one towns and thirteen years on the road--Bob D and Ann's travels along the highways of West Texas are a portrait in a landscape of oilfields, railroads and ranches. Layering local history with family memoir, author Rebecca D. Henderson reveals a glimpse of mid-century West Texas through her grandparents' adventures as a young couple raising children on the road..

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Henderson does a good job of blending family story with carefully documented research, giving the reader a feel for west Texas, past and present. Only one thing would make this book better: an index to help readers quickly find references to characters like Kit Carson and places like Spudnuts and Pecos.

I like Bob D. am a surveyor in the oilfields. My story, while not as rugged, mimics his. We roam the roads of this great country surveying leases, staking oil and gas wells and getting to see sights that few people are fortunate enough to see. I feel privileged to follow in the footsteps of men like Bob D. Definitely a great read for anyone looking to get into the profession of surveying. Thank you

Rebecca for the great read and the walk through my own memories of life on the road!

Great family story with insight into the oil biz in West Texas earlier days. Highly recommend, especially if you have ties to West Texas or the oil patch

Excellent reading with a wealth of knowledge of how a West Texas family made it through life. Bringing a whole new meaning on raising a family

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