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Marking Time: East Tennessee Historical Markers and the Stories behind Them (Paperback)

By Fred Brown

University of Tennessee Press, United States, 2005. Paperback. Condition: New. New. Language: English . Brand New Book. The roadside historical markers of East Tennessee highlight the fascinating personalities and significant events of a culturally and historically rich region. For three years, Knoxville News Sentinel columnist Fred Brown presented the stories behind the local markers placed by the Tennessee Historical Commission. He searched the highways and back roads of East Tennessee, tracking down markers with directions that were sometimes no more specific than ? Highway 11, Greene County. ? Arranged by county, the entries link East Tennessee's past and present and highlight the enormous diversity of the state's history from its prehistoric past through its involvement in World War II. The markers detail bitter struggles with Native Americans in the eighteenth century, but also explain the unique contribution of Cherokee culture and civilization, such as Sequoyah's development of the Cherokee syllabary. Brown commemorates the numerous Civil War sites throughout the region, but he also includes the service of East Tennesseans in later wars. One marker commemorates Kiffin Yates Rockwell, a founding pilot of the Lafayette Escadrille, a famed squadron of aviators in World War I. Another marker details the achievements of Sgt. Elbert L. Kinser of...



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