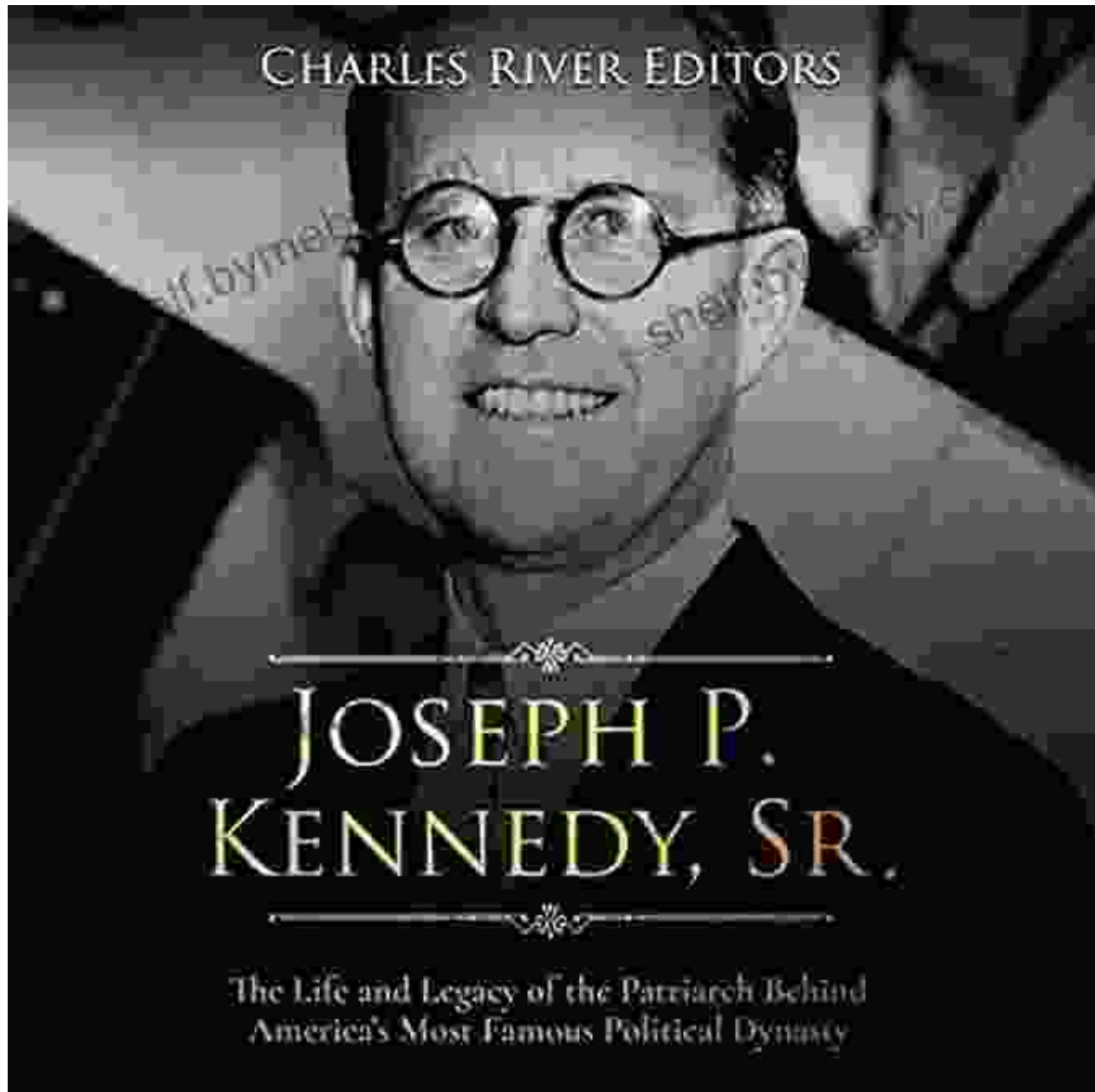


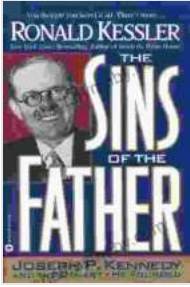
# Joseph Kennedy and the Dynasty He Founded: A Captivating History



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## The Early Years

Joseph Patrick Kennedy was born on September 6, 1888, in Boston, Massachusetts. His parents, Patrick and Mary Kennedy, were Irish immigrants who had come to America in search of a better life. Patrick Kennedy was a successful businessman and political figure, and he instilled in his son a strong work ethic and a deep sense of ambition.

Joseph Kennedy attended Boston Latin School and Harvard College, where he excelled academically and became a star athlete. After graduating from Harvard, Kennedy worked as a bank examiner and a stockbroker. He quickly rose through the ranks of the financial world, and by the early 1920s, he was one of the wealthiest men in America.

## Political Ambitions

In 1924, Kennedy entered politics by running for Congress. He won the election and served in the House of Representatives for four terms. During his time in Congress, Kennedy became a close ally of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. Kennedy also served as the chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission from 1934 to 1935.

In 1940, Kennedy resigned from his government post to become the United States ambassador to the United Kingdom. He served in this position for two years, during which time he played a key role in the negotiations that led to the United States' entry into World War II.

## **The Kennedy Dynasty**

Joseph Kennedy had nine children, including three who would go on to become prominent politicians: John F. Kennedy, Robert F. Kennedy, and Edward M. Kennedy. Kennedy was a strict but loving father, and he instilled in his children the same values of hard work and ambition that had led to his own success.

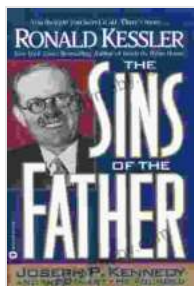
John F. Kennedy was elected President of the United States in 1960. He was assassinated in 1963, just two years into his presidency. Robert F. Kennedy was assassinated in 1968, while running for the Democratic presidential nomination. Edward M. Kennedy served in the United States Senate for 47 years, becoming one of the most influential and respected members of Congress.

## **Legacy**

Joseph Kennedy died in 1969, at the age of 81. He left behind a legacy of power and influence that continues to this day. The Kennedy family remains one of the most prominent political families in America, and its members have held numerous high-level positions in government, business, and academia.

Joseph Kennedy was a complex and controversial figure, but there is no doubt that he was one of the most influential Americans of the 20th century.

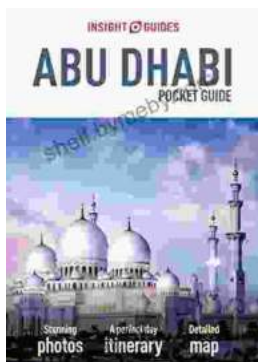
His story is a fascinating tale of success, ambition, and tragedy, and it continues to inspire and intrigue people to this day.



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