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This memory book provides the most comprehensive picture to date of who the LGBTQ+ legal activists of the 1970s were, and how they participated in movement building and sustained advocacy on behalf of LGBTQ+ folks and their communities. It does so by bringing together a compelling collection of biographies of many leading lights of this generation, drawn from across the United States, tracing their paths to the law and how being LGBTQ+ or an ally shaped their professional and personal lives. It is a valuable contribution to our collective understanding of the many roles that law students and lawyers played in the social, political, and legal history of this period.

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The Seventies isolates a unique and wonderful decade in which the voices of LGBTQ+ legal trailblazers were beginning to emerge into the mainstream. Through historical narratives and individual biographies, the book recognizes and keeps alive the contributions of scores of people who helped to propel the legal side of the LGBTQ+ movement. The book is suggested reading for attorneys and law students, as well as professors and students of history and political science. Present day LGBTQ+ advocates might also benefit from the inspiration and understanding they may gain from reading the stories of their historical counterparts.

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The Memory Book is an extraordinary achievement of historical preservation. The book has assembled priceless documentation of a crucial time in the development of the modern movement for LGBT rights in the United States. The book's distinct contribution is to focus on the role of law students and lawyers. While some of the names that surface in the book will be immediately familiar to many readers, its special contribution is to recover and document the contributions of those whose important roles might otherwise be lost to history. Anyone with an interest in learning more about the early legal struggles will find much here that is new to them.

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