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"[A] rollicking ride."—American Songwriter

WILLIE NELSON

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You won’t see no sad and teary eyes when I get my wings, and it’s my time to fly. Just call my friends and tell them there’s a party, come on by. So just roll me up and smoke me when I die!

Roll Me Up and Smoke Me When I Die, Willie Nelson muses about his greatest influences and celebrates the family, friends, and colleagues who have blessed his remarkable journey. Willie riffs on music, wives, Texas, politics, horses, religion, marijuana, children, the environment, poker, hogs, Nashville, karma, and more. He shares the outlaw wisdom he has acquired over eight decades, along with favorite jokes and insights. Rare family pictures, beautiful artwork created by his son Micah Nelson, and lyrics to classic songs punctuate these charming and poignant memories.

At once a road journal and a fitting tribute to America’s greatest traveling bard, Roll Me Up and Smoke Me When I Die, “introduced by Kinky Friedman, another favorite son of Texas,” is a deeply personal look into the heart and soul of one of the greatest artists of our time.

Okay I read a fair chunk of this, but as much as I love Willie Nelson the singer, I’d had enough. I’m so glad I didn’t buy this book. I checked it out from the local library on a seven day special. The book is well I don’t know exactly, it’s like Willie sort of dumped everything out on his keyboard in between tokes. Or if he was playing poker or dominos as he apparently does a lot, he had somebody else write or record some stuff. Speaking of weed, willie lets us know that “I’ve never had trouble getting marijuana anywhere in the world. In the places where it’s legal, the smart countries,
they are making a profit. And where it’s not legal, the only people making money are the criminals. "The references to weed are supplemented with random bits of stuff like " ... As someone said, 'Keep doing it wrong till you like it that way.' I think, I already said that, but it’s important." Yes that really is there. Thankfully, the part where Willie talks about constipation and suppositories is mercifully brief. Then a bit later, Willie clears it all up for us: "Sometimes I think, Well ... Then again I don't know, but when you get right down to it, there it is." Yup, that pretty well sums it up.Okay, before I abandoned this book I also learned that Willie had a lot of women and is surprised and pleased to find out he has kids he didn’t know about like Renee that he had with Mary Haney ... And, well there was Martha he was married to until he met Shirley Collie and a blonde singer in Texas, then Connie and well Annie ... He may still be with her, but well who cares ... He’d rather be playing poker or maybe dominos.Once again willie clears that all up, "If there is no solution, then there is no problem." That was on p. 86 and there was where I abandoned this book.

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