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Human Property Hanging in the Family Tree Yields a Harvest, is a true story of the life and times of Mariah and her family. Mariah was born a slave, witnessed the brutality of slavery, and fought the KKK. Mariah's departure to transcend from human property to a human being was met with opposition, as she and her family channeled through the violent Reconstruction Era. As the matriarch of her family, Mariah, was unwavering as she attempted to sail through the iniquitous institution of inequality. She remained steadfast in her hope of attaining the American dream.

## Human Property Hanging in the Family Tree Yields a Harvest Details

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## From Reader Review Human Property Hanging in the Family Tree Yields a Harvest for online ebook

### Laura says

While I am sure that there is a compelling story here somewhere, the author, unfortunately does not have the writing talent to tell it. Frequent grammatical and spelling errors distract from the tale, which is mostly a dull recitation of facts. Lee doesn't make her characters live. They are one-dimensional beings that fail to captivate the reader.

I never finished the book because it just was not worth the read.

To the author: no doubt that your ancestor's story deserves to be told. There is a lot of meat here that could have the makings of a very good story. I suggest that you take a writing class, write some short stories to practice your skills, and when you have honed your writing skills, begin once again to write this story. It may end up being a big book or a series because there is so much to tell, but you need to refine your writing skills.

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### Julia says

While I do realize this is non-fiction, the writing style really could have done with a lot of editing. Non-fiction books can have a voice to them and I felt that this one severely lacked it. Also, the repetitiveness of the sentences bothered me (eg. "Z happened. Here's why. And so Z happened.") I'd prefer to have it be either: "Z happened. Here's why." or "This happened and the result was Z."

It felt very list-like and I couldn't sense where this was going. Based on the blurb I read, I thought I was going to discover Mariah's story. Instead, I was treated to a long list of people and where they came from and all sorts of details I didn't need to know in order to obtain a good picture of the living conditions Mariah was born into. If I'd been told: "Mr. X, who relates to Mariah because of Y, came from..." then I would've been a lot happier with the narrative because I could see where they were going with the whole thing.

So I gave-up. I may give it another go later, but I just was not gripped enough to struggle through the text to find the interesting bits. Which is sad because I'm sure there are many interesting bits in there.

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### Jason Baldwin-Stephens says

First and foremost please keep in mind that Human Property Hanging in the Family Tree Yields a Harvest is not a memoir but is a work of non-fiction. It's loaded with dates, facts and figures as most historical accounts need to be.

What you get here that you may not find in other works of historical non-fiction though is the author's direct connection to the source material. Ann Lee is recounting her family history with this work and because of that she is able to provide asides in the tale. This is an inspiring, historical, look at a family's journey through America.

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### **Jessica says**

I won a copy of this book through Goodreads, First Reads. I am sorely disappointed with what could have been a great account. Instead, it seems better fit as a story inexpertly written as a family doctrine, and not for public release. The text is riddled with typos, grammatical errors, and a poorly structured timeline. What disappointed me the most was the overwhelming lack of passion each sentence held.

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