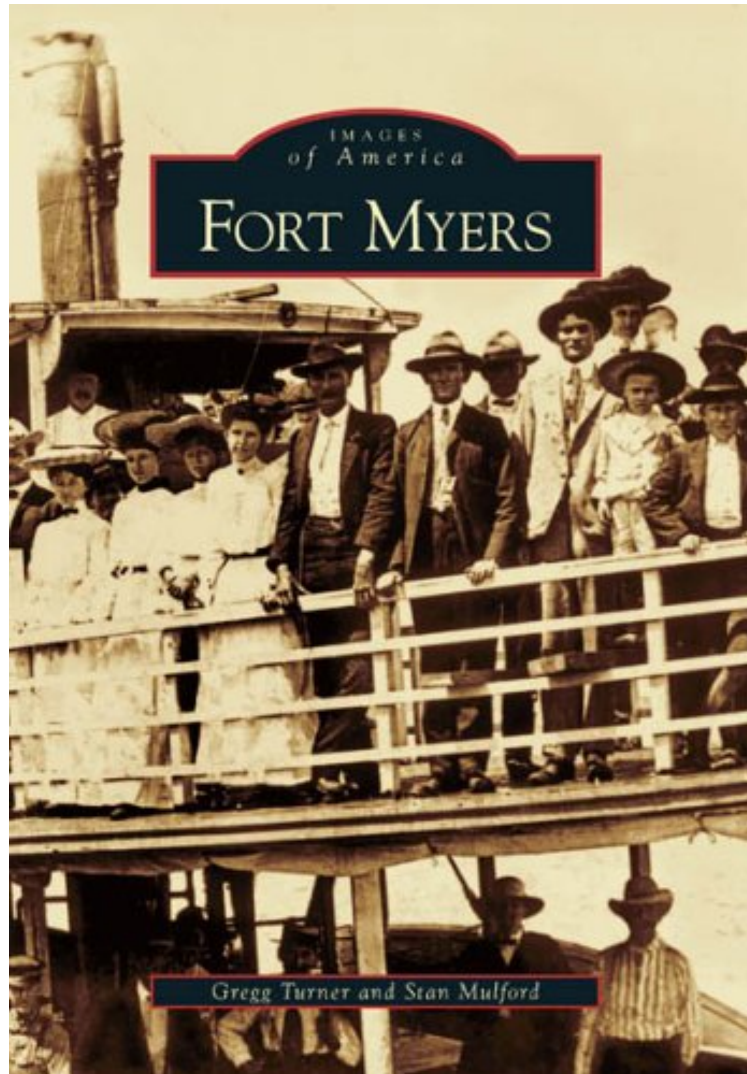


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About the AuthorIn Fort Myers, authors and historians Gregg Turner and Stan Mulford have combined informative text with superb images and detailed captions. Showcasing vintage photographs, advertisements, and other memorabilia drawn from museum and archive collections, this captivating retrospective tells the tale of a river city and adds a unique and fascinating chapter in the annals of Southwest Florida history.