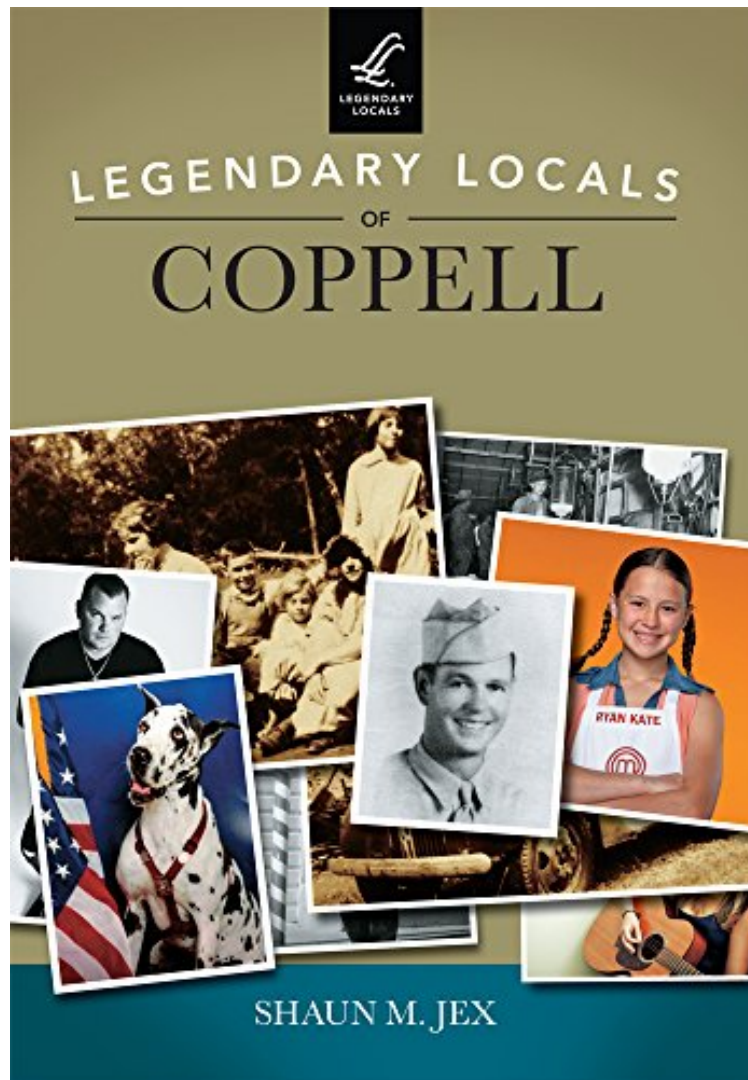


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Coppell has produced a wealth of personalities that could have leapt from the pages of a novel. The towns early days brought John and Sarah Stringfellow, who helped found the towns oldest church, and Josiah and John Record, a father-and-son duo who were victims of lynching. The coming of the Cottonbelt Railroad created the mystery of town namesake George Coppell. The town was home to farmers like domino-loving Buren Ledbetter and sharecropper W.A. Ottinger. It had its own Floyd the Barber (Floyd Harwell), as well as Jo Jackson, the librarian known to most as the Bird Lady of Coppell. The town has produced a wealth of heroes like Carroll Kirkland, who was killed in World War II, and Jacob Schick, a decorated veteran of the Iraq War. It is also a town that has turned tragedy into triumph through stories like Todd and Tara Storch, who transformed the pain of their daughter Taylors death into the life-giving charity Taylors Gift. Together their stories tell the story of Coppell, a place that at its heart will always be a small town.

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