



Going Back to New Orleans: Post-Katrina Re-Connections and Recollections is a collection of personal stories and experiences from Bert's friends, neighbors, and classmates in and around New Orleans. Part oral history and part memoir, this book is a journey through the storm and into interconnected wholeness.

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Going Back to New Orleans is different from other books about Katrina. This book captures the singularity of our city and the passion it awakens in its people ... It's a must read for other Katrina survivors ... (and) for others who have yet to grasp the devastation The Storm leveled against Louisiana.

—From the Foreword by Sandra S. Chaisson

As a lifelong resident of St. Charles Parish where Bert fondly recalls his youth, I lived and worked the aftermath and recovery that Southeast Louisiana endured ... If you want a true account of the struggles of everyday people after Katrina, read this book!

—Gary L. Smith, Jr., Louisiana State Senator

Going Back to New Orleans tells the story of re-connections ... As you read (it) you will feel that you, too, whether you have ever been to New Orleans or not, share the story of a great American city and people who have re-connected to all that is truly important when tragedy strikes.

—Paul R. Powell,
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