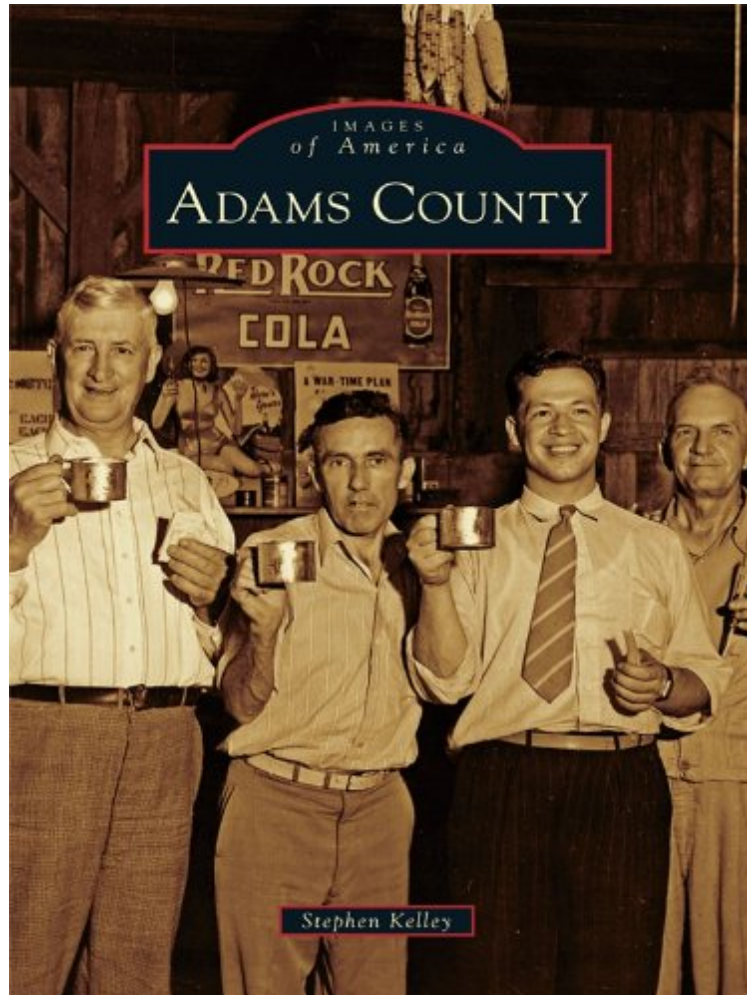


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Adams County historyBy Peg GregoryActually, I bought the book because my ancestors, the Gardners, settled in Adams County, before most of them moved into Scioto County; however, except for a photographer, there was no mention of the Gardners, so I was disappointed in the book. My uncle, Tassell Gardner, Jr. and his children and grandchildren still reside in and around Peebles. Also - and I should have deduced this from the title ( "images") - I didn't realize it was just a photographic history of Adams County. Other than my disappointment about my own ancestors, I can't fault the book. The photography was nice and did portray the area very well.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five StarsBy CustomerWonderful photos and documentation of the Adams county's history0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Well written and imformativeBy RG SearsThis series takes the reader on a stroll down memory lane. It was very enjoyable and

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Adams County was established on July 10, 1797. Carved out of the Old Northwest, it is the third-oldest county in Ohio, predating the state by more than five years. The county's southern boundary is the Ohio River, once a vital component in the commerce and growth of the county. When the first explorers and settlers came here, prehistoric earthworks dotted the landscape. The most significant, the Great Serpent Mound, is preserved today in a public park. In antebellum days, the county was a hotbed of abolitionist activities with several "stations" organized on the Underground Railroad. During the Civil War, Confederate General John H. Morgan and his raiders passed through the county taking horses, food, and anything they liked. The vintage views in this book that help tell the story of the county come from the collections of the Adams County Historical Society, the Adams County Genealogical Society, and several private sources.

About the Author Stephen Kelley has been researching and writing about Adams County's heritage for the past 40 years, including penning a history column for The People's Defender since January of 1981. He has served as president of the Adams County Historical Society for 20 years and is an amateur archaeologist.