



Dr. Sam, Soldier, Educator, Advocate, Friend: An Autobiography

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University of Washington Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Dr. Sam, Soldier, Educator, Advocate, Friend: An Autobiography, Samuel E. Kelly, Quintard Taylor, When he was seventeen, Sam Kelly met Paul Robeson, who asked him, "What are you doing for the race?" That question became a challenge to the young Kelly and inspired him to devote his life to helping others. Sam Kelly's story intersects with the major developments in twentieth-century African American history, from the rich culture of the Harlem Renaissance and the integration of the U.S. Army to the civil rights movement and the political turmoil of the 1960s. He tells about his childhood in Greenwich, Connecticut, and his visits to Harlem. He describes his rise from army private to second lieutenant between 1944 and 1945, his bitter encounters with racism while wearing his army uniform in the South, his participation in the U.S. occupation of Japan, and his role in the desegregation of the army in 1948. In his rise to colonel in the U.S. Army, Kelly was a training and operations officer who helped create the post-Korean War rapid-response deployment army that would later fight in Vietnam and Iraq. But it was as an educator that...



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