



William F. Buckley Jr.: The Maker of a Movement

By Lee Edwards

ISI Books. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, William F. Buckley Jr.: The Maker of a Movement, Lee Edwards, This book deals with the modern-day Renaissance man who forged the conservative movement. The polysyllabic vocabulary, the wit, the charm, the sailing adventures, the spy novels - all of these have become part of the William F. Buckley Jr. legend. But to consider only Buckley's charisma and ceaseless energy is to miss that above all he was committed to advancing ideas. In this concise and compelling new biography, noted conservative historian Lee Edwards, who knew Bill Buckley for more than forty years, reveals how Buckley did more than any other individual to build the conservative movement. Once derided as a set of 'irritable mental gestures', conservatism became, under Buckley's guidance, a political force that transformed America. "William F. Buckley Jr.: The Maker of a Movement" introduces the four most important intellectual influences on this great architect of American conservatism: libertarian author and social critic Albert Jay Nock, conservative political scientist Willmoore Kendall, ex-Soviet spy Whittaker Chambers, and realpolitik apostle James Burnham. Having dug deep into the voluminous Buckley papers, Edwards also illuminates the profound influence of Buckley's close-knit family and his...

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