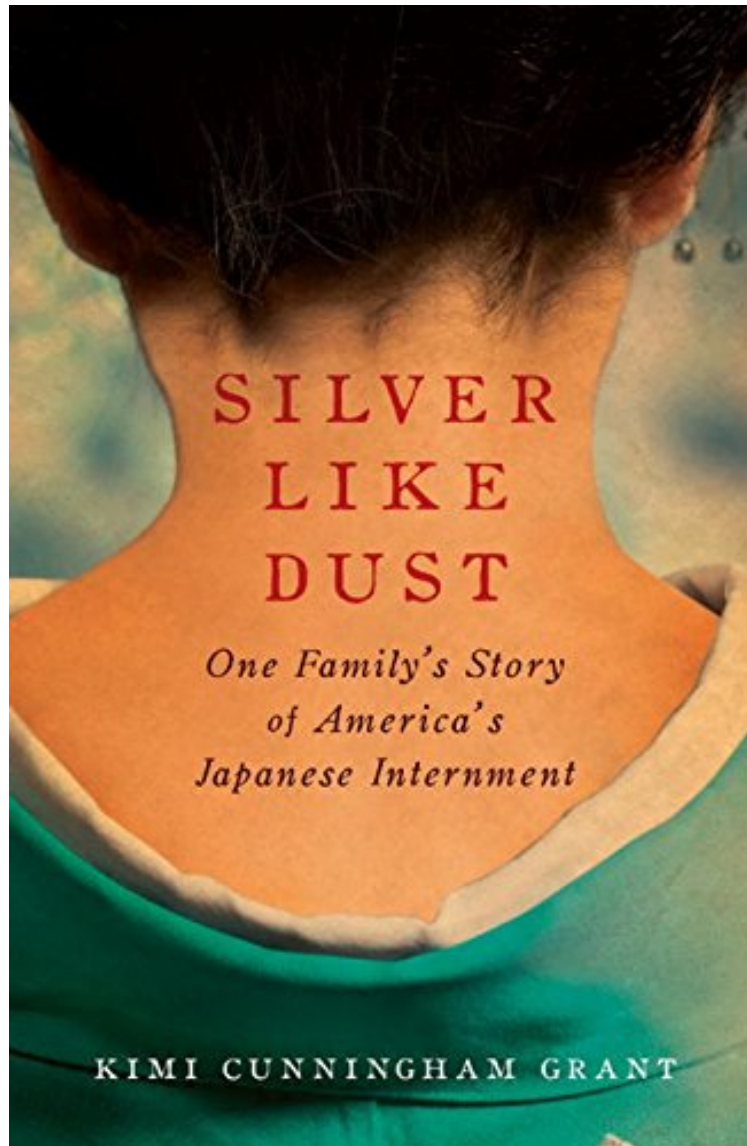


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Kimi Cunningham Grant : Silver Like Dust: One Family's Story of America's Japanese Internment before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Silver Like Dust: One Family's Story of America's Japanese Internment:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Extremely well-written memoir of Japanese-Americans interned

during WWII. Informative and moving. By Diane L. Lybbert This is a wonderful memoir. The author as an adult interviews her Japanese grandmother, whom she never really knew that well while she was growing up. As she spends time with her, she comes to know, understand, and love the old woman. She learns the details of the difficulty those Americans of Japanese extraction faced after the bombing of Pearl Harbor in WWII and the subsequent distrust, prejudice, and ultimately imprisonment of many of them as the war played out. Kimi's grandmother was a teenager when her family was forced to rid themselves of their home, most of their worldly goods, and their relationships after many years living in California. They could take with them only what they could carry, and were placed on a bus to an internment camp in Pamona, CA, and then to a camp in Wyoming which was to be their 'permanent' home until....? They didn't know how long or what would become of them later. Her young grandmother meets a boy in the camp, and they soon become engaged. Once married, they tried to make as normal a life as possible in the camp, and faced an uncertain future. The book is very well written, and brings to life a shameful time in our country's past. We learn about the hope and resilience of the internees, who continue to love America even while being imprisoned there. My only negative comment is that I wish the author had included some pictures. She describes several photographs in the narrative, but I would love to have seen them in the book. 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful! By Juju-Nebraska I really loved this book! It is a not often told story of the resilience of some of our Greatest Generation. Many are not familiar with the Japanese interment during WW II and how our citizens of Japanese ancestry were treated. The author's sensitivity to her grandmother's story and their relationship made the story profound for me. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Understanding More about WW2 Japanese Incarceration By Yvonne Pitts I had a friend in junior high and high school who was born in a Japanese relocation camp in Albuquerque NM. She didn't, of course, remember much about it, and her parents never talked about, certainly not to her friends. I remember feeling embarrassed that this has happened in my town. Learning more about that time and the people that we're affected, has helped me realize again that we Americans must not repeat this. An entire culture or ethnicity must not be blamed and punished for the acts of some members of that culture.

The poignant story of a Japanese-American woman's journey through one of the most shameful chapters in American history. Kimi's Obaachan, her grandmother, had always been a silent presence throughout her youth. Sipping tea by the fire, preparing sushi for the family, or indulgently listening to Ojichan's (grandfathers) stories for the thousandth time, Obaachan was a missing link to Kimi's Japanese heritage, something she had had a mixed relationship with all her life. Growing up in rural Pennsylvania, all Kimi ever wanted to do was fit in, spurning traditional Japanese culture and her grandfathers' attempts to teach her the language. But there was one part of Obaachan's life that fascinated and haunted Kimi: her gentle yet proud Obaachan was once a prisoner, along with 112,000 Japanese Americans, for more than five years of her life. Obaachan never spoke of those years, and Kimi's own mother only spoke of it in whispers. It was a source of haji, or shame. But what really happened to Obaachan, then a young woman, and the thousands of other men, women, and children like her? From the turmoil, racism, and paranoia that sprang up after the bombing of Pearl Harbor, to the terrifying train ride to Heart Mountain, *Silver Like Dust* captures a vital chapter in the Japanese-American experience through the journey of one remarkable woman and the enduring bonds of family.