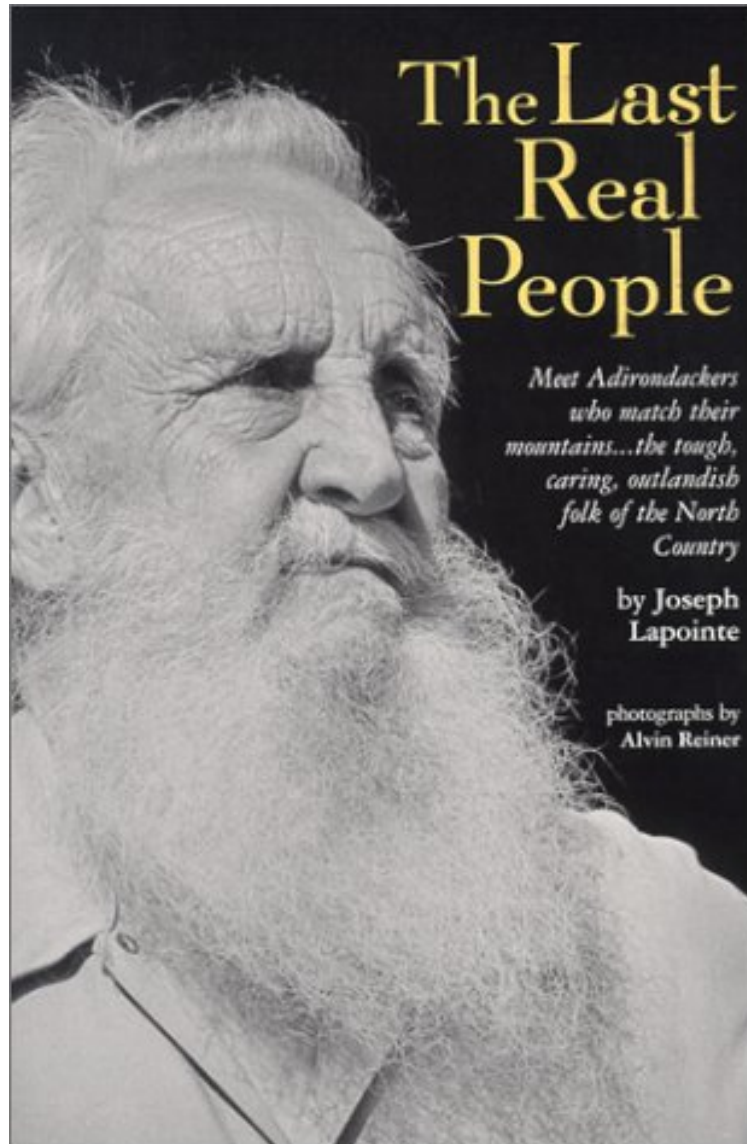


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Joseph Lapointe : The Last Real People before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Last Real People:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. More autobiographical than story-By Linda MaranI like reading anything about the Adirondack region and even went to Newcomb this week to take a look at the place the author speaks of. However, the book seems to be more of the author's autobiography than stories about "the last real people." This is fine, but the title is misleading. While there are characters the author speaks about, they are more likened to

"accounts" of these people rather than a more in-depth vision of who these people are. I would tend to say this is more of a kind of journal of the author's experiences in Newcomb than about the Last Real People of the Adirondacks. A book more suited for such a title might be the books by Helen Escha Tyler or a book called Growing Up Strong or My Grandpa's Woods. We get to meet some last of the real Adirondackers in those tales and stories. Still and all, this book is a good and pleasant read for any Adirondack lover. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Wayne P. Warren Boring 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Potential unrealized By Tom Bruce As a native of the Adirondacks who spends his summer fun time in the Long Lake area which is the setting of the book, I looked forward to reading Lapointe's effort. However, I find that his effort was lacking. What we have here are 44 short vignettes about what could be very interesting characters. And there lies the problem: Short. We only get bits and pieces on each subject, not enough to make us really care to any great extent. I do believe the subject matter is here for a truly great novel of Americana which would tie all these Adirondackers together through their love of surviving in this harsh land. Instead, what we have are stories you might hear in any bar, donut shop, or back stoop. Interesting, maybe, but just the tip of the mountain.

The larger-than-life Adirondack characters you may have read about are still with us, living with gusto and making conventional people uncomfortable. The author dwelled among them, either as a friend or acquaintance, and in telling their stories, tells you his own. Characters and places spring to life with the addition of photographs by noted North Country photographer, Alvin Reiner

From the Publisher Warning! The people in this book may not be politically correct. They live their lives heedless of the media and the latest craze, facing hardship with fortitude and humor. Here are real people presented by an author who is one of them and enhanced by compelling photographs.