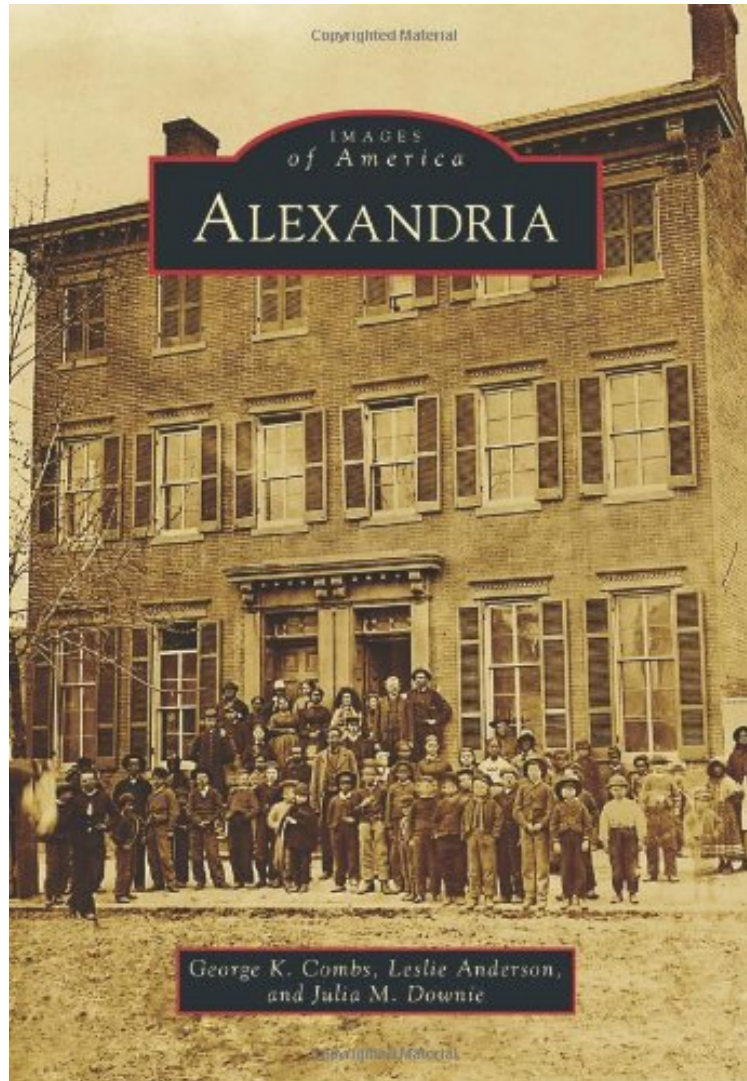


(Mobile book) Alexandria (Images of America)

Alexandria (Images of America)

George K. Combs, Leslie Anderson, Julia M. Downie
audiobook | *ebooks | Download PDF | ePub | DOC



 Download

 Read Online

#1241888 in Books 2012-07-02 2012-07-02 Original language: English PDF # 1 9.25 x .31 x 6.50 | .70 #File Name: 0738592382128 pages | File size: 20.Mb

George K. Combs, Leslie Anderson, Julia M. Downie : Alexandria (Images of America) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Alexandria (Images of America):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By John Clements Good overview 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Old Town is a must see/read! By Dwane L. Starlin Excellent combination of text photos. Made me want to visit the Port City immediately. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Patricia Endicott I am a third generation Alexandrian and the pictures brought back memories and some new information!

Alexandria has a long and storied past. Founded as a colonial tobacco port by English and Scottish merchants in 1749, the city prospered. It became the social and economic center of Northern Virginia and the upper Potomac region. When the nation's capital was established in 1791, Alexandria became a part of the District of Columbia. In 1833, a canal intended to increase trade and revenue nearly bankrupted the city. By the time Alexandria retroceded to Virginia in 1847, it had lost its standing among maritime cities on the Eastern Seaboard. Notable residents have included politicians and military heroes, such as George Washington, Robert E. Lee, and Gerald R. Ford, as well as cultural icons Willard Scott and Jim Morrison. Today's Alexandria includes descendants of free and enslaved African Americans and the progeny of 18th- and 19th-century European immigrants who have joined with "new" Americans to create vibrant 21st-century communities.

About the Author George K. Combs, Leslie Anderson, and Julia M. Downie are librarians in the Special Collections Branch of the Alexandria Library with over 30 years of combined research experience in local history, culture, and society. They used vintage photographs and original documents to show how a small colonial town grew into a modern city.