



A MIDWEST CONNECTIONS PICK!

**PRAISE FOR
ABBEVILLE
By Jack Fuller**



"A wonderful novel. *Abbeville* put me in mind of Theodore Dreiser at his most tender, far-seeing, and astute. hope it finds the widest possible audience." —Ward Just

"Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial writer Fuller (Fragments) delivers a resonant, intricate saga of the multigenerational Bailey/Schumpeter family of Abbeville, a farming community in central Illinois. ..Fuller's a talented writer..."—*Publishers Weekly*

"George Bailey's security vanished with the dot.com crash. His grandfather lived through the 1929 market crash and subsequent run on his bank and seemed to thrive in the years that followed. Not knowing what else to do, George returns to his grandfather's house and his grandfather's town, hoping to find, in his memories, a way forward. This is a wonderful story of America's heartland. It reminds us that even though we fence it and cultivate it, we never really tame it; and that counting chickens before they hatch is still a fool's game."

—Keri Holmes, Kaleidoscope: Our Focus Is You Bookstore (IA)

"In his new novel, *Abbeville*, Jack Fuller once again **brilliantly illuminates** how it is that smart, decent, striving, flawed people wrestle with the essential issues of modern life and with the powerful forces of culture and family that have shaped their attitudes and are seeming to drive their fate. If you don't know the extraordinary creative work of Jack Fuller, this is a perfect place for you to begin. He has long been snug in the palm of the handful of America's best novelists, though too often overlooked there. By all the righteous stars of serious culture, ***Abbeville* will bring Fuller the wide literary acclaim and audience he richly deserves.**" —Robert Olen Butler

"*Abbeville* is wonderful, an evocative and involving tale about the meanings of success and failure across the generations and the values that unite a family through time. A terrific novel."

—Scott Turow

"How does it feel to be a part of that generation of Americans who will probably not be able to pass on an economically better life to their children? Fuller has written a book about the dot.com bust, but I bet he never realized it was going to be published on the heels of the mortgage loan mess of this decade. George Bailey's search for his grandfather's strength, relative to the crash of both the late 19th Century and the Great Depression of the 20th, is more meaningful than ever given, our present economic situation. Fuller's straight-forward prose allows the reader to move effortlessly through several generations of one family coping with success and failure...compelling and haunting...a solid and satisfying read."—Sunny Solomon, Clayton Books (CA)

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