Intimate Lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald And Sheilah Graham Her Sons Story

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Formats and Editions of Intimate lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald and Sheilah Graham. In 1937, F. Scott Fitzgerald, broken in spirit and desperate for money, headed for Hollywood to work as a screenwriter. It was there that he met the lovely young Sheilah Graham. Their story began in 1938, after he had broken off his engagement to Hadley Richardson. Sheilah Graham was a self-made woman, born in 1905 in Philadelphia, the daughter of a man who had been an actor, and herself a writer and socialite. They married in 1938, and their love affair lasted until Fitzgerald's death in 1940. Their relationship was filled with passion, but also with conflicts and setbacks. Sheilah Graham was always the more powerful of the two, and she frequently criticized her husband's work, sometimes publicly. Fitzgerald was a once-praised novelist, but his later years were marked by alcoholism and severe financial problems. He died in 1940, at the age of 44, of a heart attack in Hollywood. Sheilah Graham continued to write and to support herself and her children, until her death in 1986. Their story is told in the book "Intimate Lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald and Sheilah Graham--Her Sons Story", by Robert Westbrook. It is a detailed and intimate account of their relationship, with many quotes and letters from both Fitzgerald and Graham. It is also a story of Sheilah Graham's early life, and of her own battles with alcoholism and obscurity. Sheilah Graham was a gifted writer, and her stories were collected in the book "Lily Shiel". Sheilah Graham was the youngest child of Ukrainian Jewish parents. According to her son Robert, "Intimate Lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald and Sheilah Graham--Her Sons Story", is a book that gives her a full biography with no fudging and no lies, intimate or otherwise. The book is also a story of Sheilah Graham's early years, and of her battles with alcoholism and obscurity. It is a book that celebrates her resilience and her strength, and her ability to overcome the obstacles that were put in her way. Sheilah Graham was a woman of great courage, and her story is a story of hope and inspiration.
Now her son, using her diaries, letters and notes, tells the unvarnished love story of a failed snob and a pretty, false young woman escaping her past. Fitzgerald, who collapsed and died in 1940 in Graham's apartment, had come to Hollywood three years earlier, his fame eclipsed and his wife, Zelda, shut away in a North Carolina mental institution. Well maybe Sheilah Graham was a classic "codependant" but I would have done the same, F. Scott Fitzgerald shines in this story. Flaws and all. Yet Sheilah devoted her life to Scott Fitzgerald despite or in spite of everything he did to hurt her. On the plus side Westbrook manages to paint Fitzgerald as a brilliant man with a sly sense of humor, dissipated charm and deep feelings for his daughter. Title: Intimate Lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald and Sheilah Graham - Her Sons Item Condition: used item in a good condition. Author: Robert Westbrook ISBN 10: 0349107890. Will be clean, not soiled or stained. TITLE: Collected Stories: The Pat Hobby Stories v. 3 (The Stories of F. Scott Fitzgerald). Acceptable - Very well read. Reading copy only. Title: Intimate Lies: F. Scott Fitzgerald and Sheilah Graham - Her Sons Item Condition: used item in a good condition. Author: Robert Westbrook ISBN 10: 0349107890. Will be clean, not soiled or stained. AUTHOR: Graham, Sheilah. TITLE: College of One: F. Scott Fitzgerald. PUBLISHER: Penguin Books Ltd. CONDITION: Good.