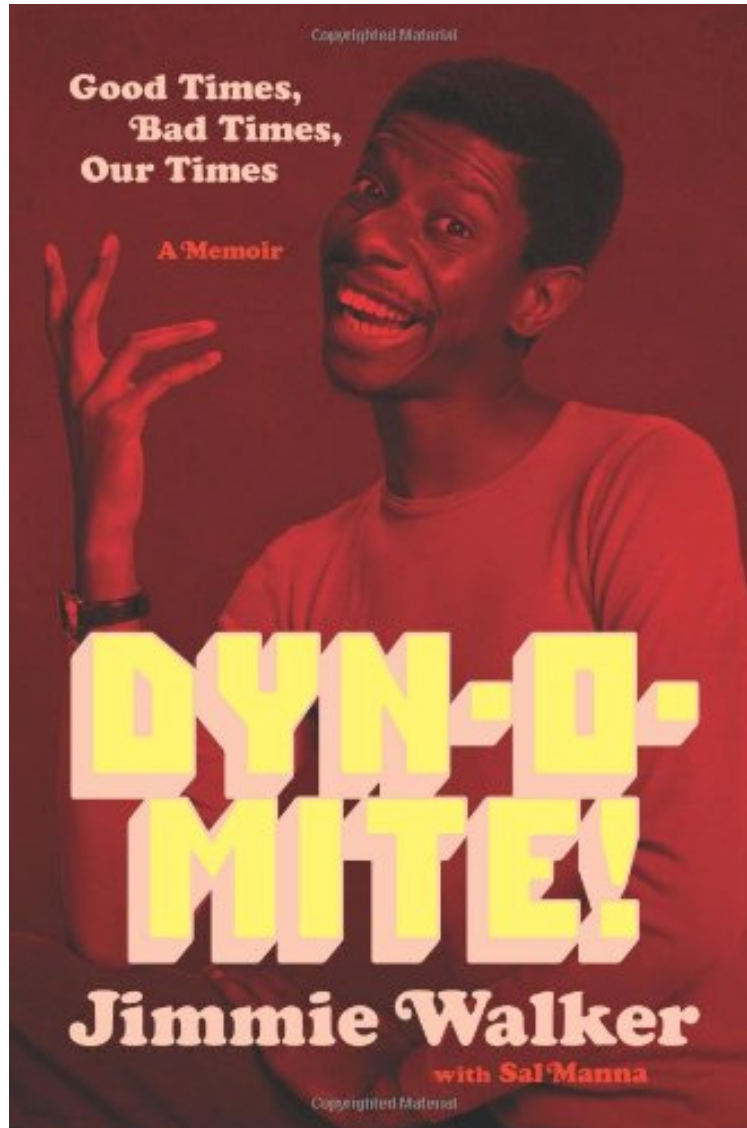


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such a great book. I enjoyed it very much. Yes, purchase it. 3 of 4 people found the following review helpful. A Dyn-O-Mite Story! By Kiwes OUTSTANDING! Did I say OUTSTANDING? Let me just say I laughed my a*s off reading this book! Who couldn't remember Jimmie Walker's famous character on the popular 70s sitcom, J.J. Evans on Good Times and his favorite word that put him on the map--DYN-O-MITE! I tuned in every week to hear that word come from the skinny, wild and crazy artist, struggling along with his family in the projects (loosely based on the Cabrini-Green projects in Chicago)! As many of you may or may not know, Jimmie was a stand-up comedian well before he became J.J. on Good Times. What I learned about his life was incredible. From growing up with an abusive father, to having a passive and submissive mother, a sister he wasn't that close to, alcohol induced uncles, etc., Mr. Walker has been through it all and that's no joke. In fact, laughter is what brought him through his pain. There are so many shockers in this book, and never-before-told-stories that Jimmie felt was time to set the record straight and I'll say he went above and beyond. From his long-time friends Dave Letterman and Jay Leno, what you learn about their relationships in the early days of comedy is golden. I was so impressed with Jimmie's story telling and his honesty as only a comedian can deliver. Some may not agree with his political views and may even be surprised as to where he stands on "politically correctness" as he mentions throughout the book. I could not put this put down. There are so many jokes he writes in the book, I couldn't stop laughing. Every so many paragraphs he'd speak to you seriously, and then turn around and slap you with a joke that you'd bust a gut. I so enjoyed reading this and I am positive you will too. I learned a lot about this comedian and I'm happy to see he's still with us and doing his thing as only Jimmie Walker can. Great job! FIVE STAR READ!!!! Get ready for the laughter!

Jimmie Walker was raised in a violent and abusive home in the Bronx. Starting in small clubs and eventually opening for Black Panther rallies, he ultimately became an icon playing J. J. Evans on Good Times. Walker was the first successful young black sitcom star, and his catchphrase--Dyn-o-mite!--remains an indicator of the era. He saw sudden and enormous fame in everything from comic books and a talking doll to pajamas, trading cards, a bestselling album, and TV Guide covers. In Dyn-o-mite!, Walker candidly talks about his rise and the considerable tensions on the set of Good Times that contradicted the show's image of a close-knit, blue-collar family struggling to survive in the projects. Walker made Dyn-o-mite! a catchword for the Baby Boomer generation. Today, Dyn-o-mite! will inspire that same generation to rediscover what once made America great--the freedom of thought, the freedom of speech, and the belief in the individual.

Kirkus s, 4/15/12A fast, funny and informative stand-up routine/memoir from one of the major comic stars of the 1970sA unique perspective on the perils of modern comedy from a survivor with a long memory.