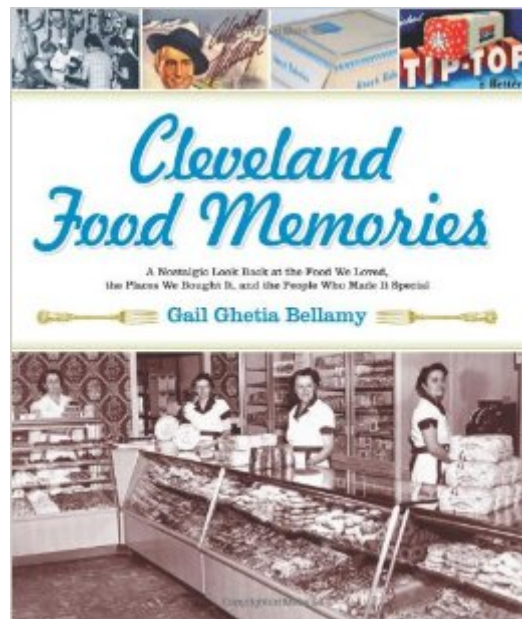


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# Cleveland Food Memories: A Nostalgic Look Back At The Food We Loved, The Places We Bought It, And The People Who Made It Special



## Synopsis

Be prepared to be hungry, not only for your favorite foods, but for the special times from your childhood. Remember when food was local? Cleveland companies made it, and local people sold it and ran the restaurants where we ate it. Now, take a delicious trip into the past. Food makes powerful memories. Mention Hough Bakery and see how quickly we Clevelanders start to drool over just the thought of those long-lost white cakes. This book collects the fondest memories of Clevelanders who still ache for treats from the past. There were Frostees in the Higbee's basement. Popcorn balls at Euclid Beach. Burgers at Manner's or Mawby's. Entertainment-filled nights at Alpine Village. Mustard at old Municipal Stadium . . . and so much more. Richly illustrated.

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## Customer Reviews

This is a good book for baby boomers like myself to trip down memory lane. Or so I thought. I enjoyed the pictures. But I had several problems with this book. If we were in school I would have to grade it "incomplete". Some of the pictures do not indicate the location: the picture of the people lined up in front of the Hough Bakery after V-J; the two pictures of the Manner's on page 37; the old Lawson store that is pictured...and it goes on and on and on. Where were they located? Many of her stories start off interesting then drop you and leave you hanging. She mentions that in the 1940s there were four Chandler & Rudd stores. Then she switches to Heinen's. What happened to Chandler & Rudd? There is an old ad for Fisher Foods but only a mere mention of Fazio's and no mention of Stop-N-Shop. Many items that folks may remember get an one word mention like the

Forum or Dearings, others are shown over and over again like Manners. Whatever happened to the Uncle Marty ice cream trucks? No mention of them. Some of the East Side barbeque joints of the 1950s and 60s like Whitmore's or Hot Sauce William's or Ferris'? No mention of them. Peterson Nuts. Yes. King's Nuts. No. But the kisser is: there's a picture of Otto's Deli. And that's it. All of the places you could go and get a great corned beef sandwich? Hold on to the memory. And don't look for them in this book.

I enjoyed this book for exactly what it was - a walk through the Cleveland Food, Beverage and Snack businesses from the early 1900's to the eighties. As any Clevelander knows, Clark's, Mawby's and Hough Bakeries were right up there with Heaven on Earth! It was a pleasure to read snips and short histories on the many establishments that I grew up with. The book had wonderful photos and the samplings of memories about each of the places were fun to read. NO - this isn't John Grisham or Stephen King as far as literary genius - but who cares? It is a terrific collection of CLEVELAND FOOD MEMORIES! Buy the book!!

I took a trip down memory lane near a street I lived on in the 50's and 60's in Cleveland, Ohio. This book was filled with words but the best part were the pictures. My mother worked at the May Company dining room in Warrensville Hts. And my Aunt Mary worked at Clarks at 105th and St. Clair and then at Higbees dining room. So many of the restaurants featured in the book were where our family would celebrate special days! Captain Frank's on the pier downtown was a great place and a great memory. There are pictures of Houghs Bakery. If you were born and raised in Cleveland and are over forty now, this book will delight you. If your Grandmother lived in Cleveland then, she will love to receive this book as a gift! I sent one to my cousin who lived a few blocks away from me then and who now lives clear across the country...but we share Cleveland's memories!

Great memories - loved the pictures and the brief comments. The balance was right for me, I was not interested in reading a history of Cleveland - just sparking some old memories (ice-cream sundays downtown!).

If you grew up in Cleveland in the 50s and 60s this book is for you. Gail Bellamy hits every good memory I had. It's like she hung out with all of us and knew every great place to go and what we ordered. Five stars all the way. Maybe 6!

It was just an incomplete book. Not all parts of Cleveland were being represented.. I think it was a mistake to buy this book.

Gave this book to my parents...a native West Sider, and Geauga county country girl. My dad spent the rest of the day savoring all the anecdotes and photos, thoroughly enjoying the dining of his past. The book is mostly a compilation of personal memories, not as much of a factual historical listing of Cleveland food establishments....but aren't memories personal anyway? Food is universal, and even though my mom was a country girl who didn't go into the city often....they had common dining memories. A great gift for the pre-boom and boomer age. (I'm a older Gen Xer...and hardly knew any of the places listed) I put this book in a gift basket of several of the food products from the book that are still available...Humphrey Kisses, Bertman's Mustard, it was a big hit.

I bought this book for myself &my family for Christmas because I like the author-she lived up to my expectations!Thanks!

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