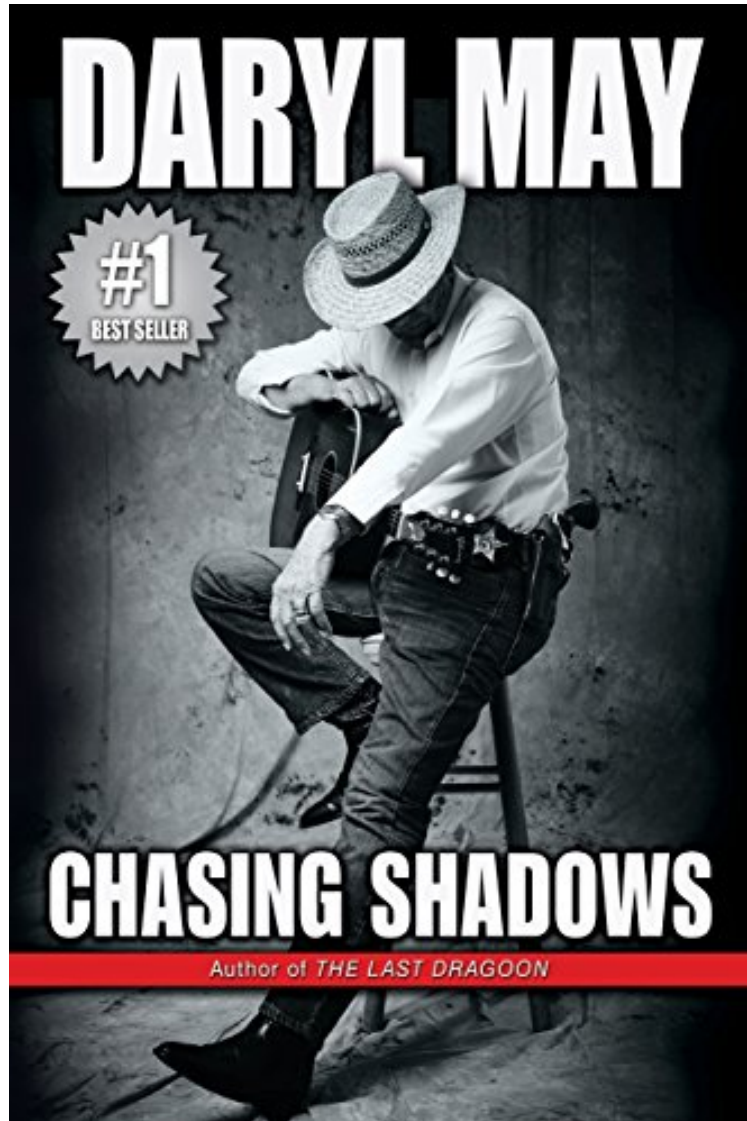


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INTO ENTERTAINMENTTHANK YOU DARYL. I KNEW YOU COULD SINGBUT I DID NOT KNOW YOU COULD WRITE.NEIL SCHOONDERWOERD6 of 6 people found the following review helpful. A Great ReadBy GwenEnjoyed the trip down memory lane- yours, and mine.Evenings at the Sea Wake listening to you were always fun andones we looked forward to.Chasing Shadows delves deeper into those times and illustrates the depth and faith shown by the author as he revisits those (not always) "Good Old Days".Thank you, Daryl.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. he had an amazing gift of gab onstage and was surprisingly soft spoken ...By Mark DupuyI met Daryl in the late Seventies. The guy was a guitarist, singer and comedian who had a wry sense of humor. He told jokes about being a Largo County Deputy Sheriff. Back in those days, he had an amazing gift of gab onstage and was surprisingly soft spoken elsewhere. There came a time where I asked him why he decided to quit law enforcement and take up music and comedy. He was clearly uncomfortable discussing it and handed me the newspaper article of the incident that made the decision for him. I won't tell of that incident right now because it would spoil the surprise.So almost a lifetime later he is retired from music and from law enforcement. He decides to write a book about that experience. Well naturally I had to take a look. The guy had an interesting life and even if he was a mediocre writer the material would be good enough to stick with.BOY! Was I in for a surprise!I stayed in the music business long after everyone else had either retired or found some way to grow up. I began reading Chasing Shadows, looked up at the clock and was almost late for a gig. Some books are page turners, for sure. This one reached out, grabbed you by the chest (polyester shirt and graying chest hairs combined) and DARED you to put it down.Yes, I could just let out the facts of every chapter Daryl wrote. And you could still read it and still be hooked. But it'll be better if they unfold before your very eyes with no prompting from me.I will offer this much: If there had been such a time machine, it's fairly obvious that Daryl May traveled back in time and taught Mark Twain, Will Rogers and John Steinbeck (and maybe even John D. McDonald) how to write. Simple as that.So get read for the ride of your life. Not a ride-along, (where you get to sit in the back seat of a cruiser and get the crap scared out of you) but a real ride in the mind of a lawman, a musician, a humorist, and now a novelist.

FORMER DEPUTY SHERIFF DARYL MAY writes with meticulous detail how two gunshots changed his life. On a muggy Florida night, he nearly left this world when fighting for his life in a watery ditch. This remarkable true tale is gripping and heart-thumping as you ride along with him on that dark and lonely road. If you think you know what it's like to brawl with the Messenger of Death, you don't until you've read Chasing Shadows. After several years as a lawman, May resolved that there was more to life than dealing with society's outlaws and so overnight launched into a successful career performing stand-up comedy, writing songs, singing, playing guitar, and schmoozing with some of Nashville's heavy hitters. Chasing Shadows is also a mesmerizing bit of Florida history in its finest telling. Author Daryl May battled drug dealers, messed with the Mafia, told the FBI to shove it, monitored the Klan, witnessed racial discrimination, and found himself in the middle of 1960s civil unrest and riots. He guarded President Jack Kennedy four days before he was assassinated in Dallas. He wrote a hit song for a country music superstar, performed on cruise ships, at an Australian mountain ski resort, and lounges and fashionable hotels from Florida to Myrtle Beach, SC. And according to news headlines, he had a one-nighter with Caroline Kennedy, daughter of the POTUS. Vivid and emotionally engaging, May writes of breathtaking capers and humorous incidents and observations as a cop and a comic. Chasing Shadows is a real life story with all the humor, suspense, and drama of a popular thriller. If Hiaasen or DeMille wrote a novel about May's life ... it might well read like Chasing Shadows.