

About the Author

Walter L. Bell was born in Americus Georgia in 1924. The same day, about ten miles away, another boy named Jimmy Carter was born. Neither knew at the time that one of them would one day become president of the United States. Which one would it be?



After graduating from Lanier High School, Bell joined the United States Coast Guard. After World War II, he attended Mercer University and Southern College of Optometry, then practiced Optometry for forty years before retiring.

“I didn’t know I was living a story until I finished the book, but that is the way it was.” Bell has lots of stories to tell about growing up in the South, serving his country during the war, and others. His grammar school, high school, wartime and college love affair, with the same girl, ranks up there with the best of them.

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