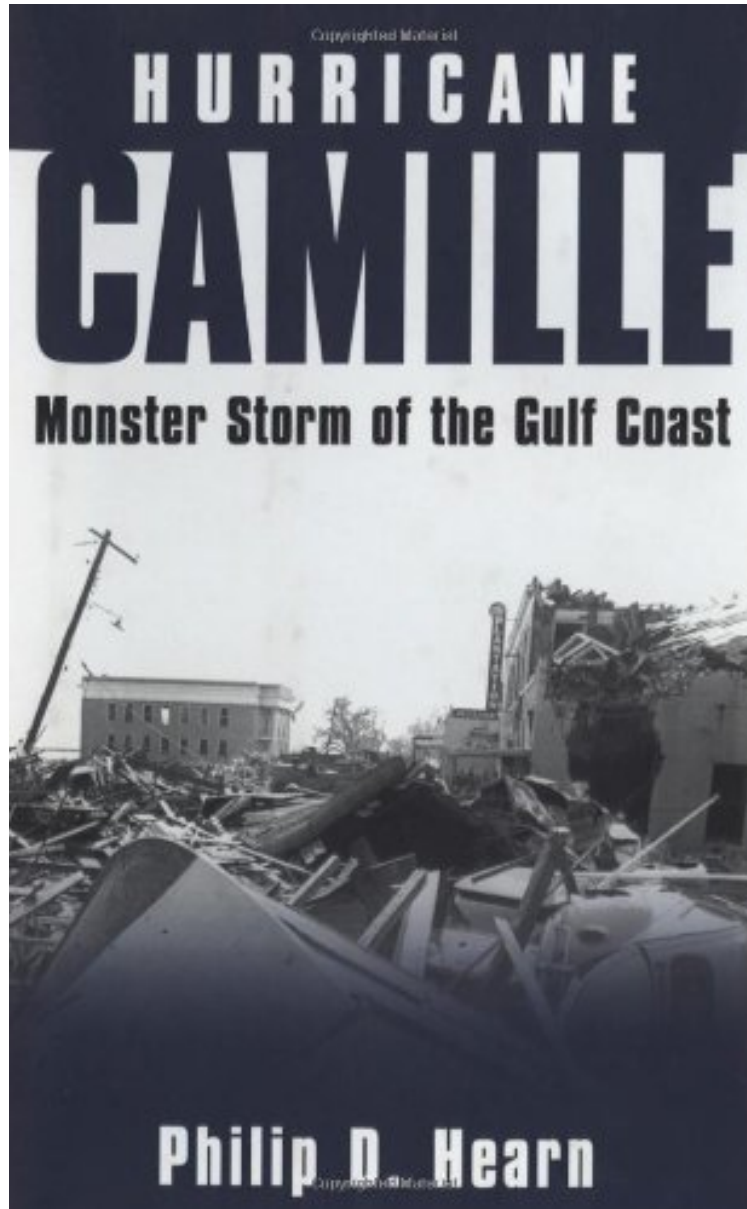


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On August 17, 1969, Hurricane Camille roared out of the Gulf of Mexico and smashed into Mississippi's twenty-six miles of coastline. Winds were clocked at more than 200 miles per hour, tidal waves surged to nearly 35 feet, and the barometric pressure of 26.85 inches neared an all-time low. Survivors of the killer storm date events as BC and AC-- Before Camille and After Camille. The history of Hurricane Camille is told here through the eyes and the memories of those who survived the traumatic winds and tides. Their firsthand accounts, compiled a decade after the storm and archived at the University of Southern Mississippi, form the core of this book. Property damage exceeded \$1.5 billion, \$48.6 billion in today's dollars. Fashionable beachfront homes, holiday hotels, marinas, night clubs, and souvenir shops were devastated. The death toll in the state's three coastal counties--Harrison, Hancock, and Jackson--reached 131, with another 41 persons never found. The rampaging storm then moved north through Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Virginia and sparked flash floods that killed more than 100 in Virginia before moving into the Atlantic. Camille is one of only three Category 5 hurricanes ever to hit the U.S. mainland. Along the Coast today, vacant lots, slabs of concrete, and mysterious staircases and driveways leading to nowhere are Camille's eerie reminders. The ruins that remain, however, are overshadowed by the dazzle and fun at the dozen casinos and high-rise hotels that dominate the modern beachfront. Once more the seashore is thriving. Rambling homes, the neon lights of motels and family restaurants, and the nets and masts of shrimp boats mark the skyline. For the Mississippi Coast, a historic retreat between New Orleans on the west and Mobile on the east--these are the best of times. This gripping story of the Coast's most devastating storm recounts what happened on a terrifying night more than three decades ago. It reminds, too, what can happen again. Philip D. Hearn, a longtime Mississippi news reporter and editor, is a research writer for the university relations office of Mississippi State University. His work has been published in Army Reserve magazine, Vietnam Magazine, and many newspapers.

"Hearn brings readers a cinematic reconstruction of the devastating storm... he still has a reporter's eye for precise detail." -- Bookpage.com, August, 2004, by Edward Morris "Hurricane Camille... reads like fine adventure fiction. That it is definitely non-fiction makes it all the more troubling and just downright good." -- The Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal, December 19, 2004, by Danny McKenzie "In the last chapter--'The Next Camille'--Hearn points out that it is not a matter of if, but when the next killer hurricane will hit the Coast." -- Mississippi Business Journal, August 2-8, 2004 "What grips the reader by the throat are the oral histories, taken from survivors such as Paul Williams." -- The Biloxi (Mississippi) Sun-Herald, July 25, 2004, by Jim Fraiser "With a little imagination, you'll feel as if you were actually present during that terrible night of death and destruction." -- Nationally syndicated (King Features) columnist Charley Reese, July 14, 2005 Hearn "builds an intriguing narrative out of the voices of Camille survivors." -- The Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal, August 5, 2004, by Bill Minor Hearn "has produced a thorough, yet compact, work on the attack by this natural disaster on Mississippi's valuable Gulf Coast." -- dHearn's account "packs a great deal of punch" and features "a narrative style that makes it difficult to put the book down." -- Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society, May 2006 Nominated best nonfiction for 2004 -- Mississippi Institute of Arts and Letters While acknowledging broader policy concerns... Hearn focuses on the variety of human experiences during Camille and does that quite well. -- The Journal of Southern History, Vol. 71, No. 3, Aug. 2005 From the Publisher The history of Hurricane Camille is told here through the memories of those who survived the traumatic winds and tides. Their firsthand accounts, compiled a decade after the storm, and archived at the University of Southern Mississippi, form the core of this book. From the Author I am gratified the book has received a dozen positive, professional reviews in magazines, newspapers and other publications, including: Bookpage.