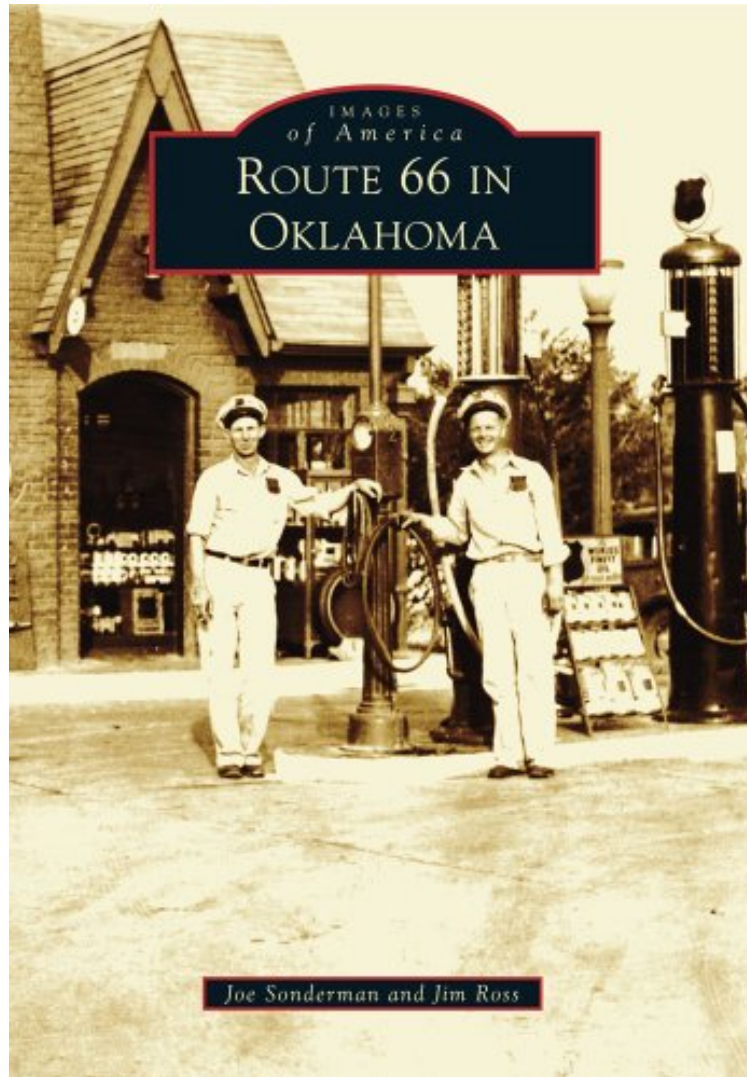


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About the Author Joe Sonderman and Jim Ross are seasoned Route 66 historians, authors, and collectors. The images presented here, primarily from their own archives, include mom-and-pop roadside businesses, classic tourist traps, and unique glimpses of the highways evolution from rutted dirt road to the Main Street of America.