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ten whose values and resolve inspired her children and many grandchildren to excel in the finest universities and beyond. In presenting richly detailed vignettes with keen observation and grace, Cigarroa offers captivating and original insights not only into her family's remarkable story, but also into the beauty of the extraordinary traits and enduring spirit of the people of our Texas borderlands.
