



Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War)

Ulysses S. Grant

[Download now](#)

[Click here](#) if your download doesn't start automatically

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War)

Ulysses S. Grant

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) Ulysses S. Grant

Mark Twain had known many of the great men of the Civil War and the Gilded Age, and esteemed none more highly than Ulysses S. Grant, who was modest, sensitive, generous, honest, and superlatively intelligent. Grant's courage, both moral and physical, was a matter of record. His genius as a general assured his immortality. In 1881, Twain urged Grant to write his memoirs.

No one is interested in me, Grant replied. Out of the army, out of office, and out of favor--that was his life now. He reminded Twain that the *Military History of Ulysses S. Grant*, written by his wartime assistant, Adam Badeau, had sold poorly. And John Russell Young's book, *Around the World with General Grant*, published in 1879, had been a complete flop.

Broke and sick--he began suffering agonizingly painful throat cancer in 1884-- Grant agreed to write four articles for the *Century Magazine* on some of his Civil War battles, and *Century* offered to publish his memoirs if only he'd write them. Twain was on a lecture tour when he heard that Grant might be willing to write a book and hurried back to New York to tell Grant that he could arrange for publication of the book by a small firm that he controlled. Grant accepted his offer because Twain had been the first person to suggest he write his memoirs.

The inflexible will and powerful mind that helped make Grant a great general were stronger than the torturing pain, the sleepless nights, the terrors of death. Yet there was no sense of this heroic struggle in the narrative he produced with stubby pencils or by dictating to a secretary. The book was like the man himself--often humorous, frequently charming, always lucid, sometimes poignant, generous to his enemies, loyal to his friends. Twain was astonished when he discovered that Grant had produced a considerably longer book than he had contracted to write, but Grant had always tried to give more than was expected of him. He did so even now.

Grant finished his book in July 1885. The Memoirs were a triumph. The narrative has the directness and limpidity of the purest English prose as it was first crafted by William Tyndell and then spread throughout the English-speaking world in the King James version of the Bible.

Grant had reached deep into himself and into the world history of the Anglo-American people to grasp the core of its culture, the English language. He trusted in that narrative style that achieves its effects by never straining for effect, assembled it into vivid pictures sufficiently understated to allow an intelligent reader's imagination room to expand, and shaped a literary architecture with a born artist's eye.

His recollections were inevitably partial and selective. As with all memoirs, Grant's was at its best as a revelation of the way he remembered the events of his tumultuous life and the feelings they evoked in him as death drew near. Its truth was less in the details of what he recalled as in the story he had to tell, of justice triumphant over a great evil.

On July 23, 1885, several days after correcting the galley proofs of his book, Grant died in a summer cottage on the slopes of Mount McGregor, New York, surrounded by friends and family. The memoirs, published a

few months later, have never been out of print.

 [Download](#) Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Moder ...pdf

 [Read Online](#) Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Mod ...pdf

Download and Read Free Online Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) Ulysses S. Grant

From reader reviews:

Amy Cason:

Book is to be different per grade. Book for children until eventually adult are different content. As you may know that book is very important usually. The book Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) seemed to be making you to know about other knowledge and of course you can take more information. It is extremely advantages for you. The e-book Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) is not only giving you a lot more new information but also to become your friend when you feel bored. You can spend your spend time to read your reserve. Try to make relationship with the book Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War). You never feel lose out for everything when you read some books.

James Hubbard:

A lot of people always spent their very own free time to vacation or maybe go to the outside with them family or their friend. Do you know? Many a lot of people spent many people free time just watching TV, or maybe playing video games all day long. If you wish to try to find a new activity here is look different you can read some sort of book. It is really fun for you personally. If you enjoy the book you read you can spent all day long to reading a publication. The book Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) it is very good to read. There are a lot of folks that recommended this book. These people were enjoying reading this book. When you did not have enough space to bring this book you can buy the e-book. You can m0ore easily to read this book from your smart phone. The price is not to fund but this book has high quality.

Crystal Sanchez:

This Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) is brand-new way for you who has curiosity to look for some information mainly because it relief your hunger associated with. Getting deeper you upon it getting knowledge more you know or else you who still having little bit of digest in reading this Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) can be the light food to suit your needs because the information inside this kind of book is easy to get simply by anyone. These books acquire itself in the form which is reachable by anyone, that's why I mean in the e-book web form. People who think that in reserve form make them feel sleepy even dizzy this reserve is the answer. So there isn't any in reading a book especially this one. You can find actually looking for. It should be here for a person. So , don't miss that! Just read this e-book variety for your better life as well as knowledge.

Patricia Whitmore:

Don't be worry when you are afraid that this book may filled the space in your house, you could have it in e-book way, more simple and reachable. This particular Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) can give you a lot of close friends because by you taking a look at this one book you

have factor that they don't and make anyone more like an interesting person. This book can be one of a step for you to get success. This book offer you information that possibly your friend doesn't recognize, by knowing more than some other make you to be great people. So , why hesitate? We need to have Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War).

Download and Read Online Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) Ulysses S. Grant #6T1OKPE5IBA

Read Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant for online ebook

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant books to read online.

Online Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant ebook PDF download

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant Doc

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant Mobipocket

Personal Memoirs: (A Modern Library E-Book) (Modern Library War) by Ulysses S. Grant EPub