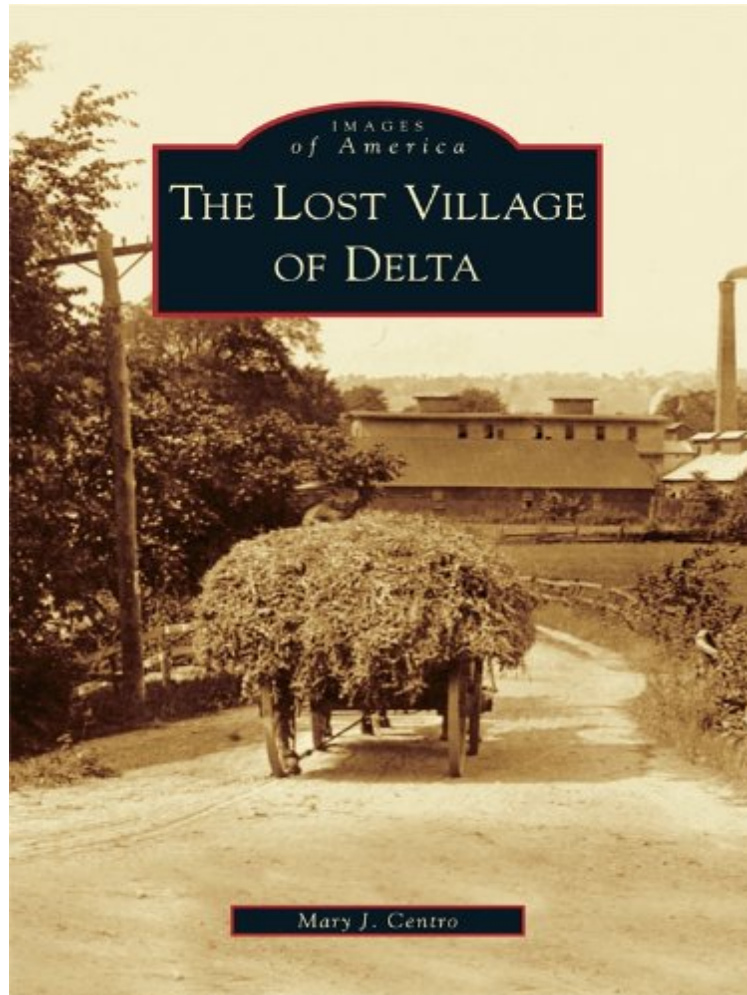


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**Mary J. Centro : The Lost Village of Delta** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised The Lost Village of Delta:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Interesting, but not completeBy MiMiVanVI have always been intrigued by the lost village of Delta and was happy to see a book had been published with images included. After reading the book, I was disappointed to see that there were no photos of the "during" process of flooding the lake, only pictures of the "before". I guess that's what I was most interested in.... how they disassembled the village during the process.0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. The Lost Village of DeltaBy MarionI have attended Delta Lake Bible Conference for many years and had known that there once was a village in Delta Lake. When this book was brought to my attention, I had to buy it. Interesting history and pictures of once was a village.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The Lost Village of DeltaBy James OndrejkaI grew up in the 1950's and 60's on Delta Avenue, about 250 or so yards from the Lake. The "Long Hill Road" and the "Short Hill Road", both of which led to

the once Village of Delta from Elmer Hill were within a short walking distance. I found the photo's fantastic. I wish the buildings could have been matched to a detailed map of the village, so I could have visualized it as a whole. I personally have seen many photos of the construction of the dam, many that were not included in the book. The only point I have to dispute with the author concerning the construction of the dam, was apparently the last piece of the structure built was on the left portion, the western portion of the dam. This is where the Black River Canal originally went thru the structure as it was being built. Once the three locks on the eastern portion of the dam were completed, the barge canal was then diverted over the Mohawk River aquaduct to those locks. Then the last "hole" in the dam, on the western side, was completed. I can only state this because I have seen at least two photos and a postcard showing this. The author states that the eastern portion of the dam was the final piece put into place. I mention this only as a point for discussion. The book was excellent.

Home to a community of hardworking farmers and mill workers, the village of Delta stood along the banks of the Mohawk River until it was evacuated by the state to raise the water in the Erie Canal. Before the flooding of the river, Delta was a small country village with the same postmaster for over 30 years and families farming the same land for generations. In order to raise the water, the state approved the construction of five reservoirs across New York. The town was evacuated soon after, and the land that generations of residents toiled over now sits at the bottom of Lake Delta.

About the Author Mary J. Centro is a native of the Rome and Lake Delta area. She became interested in the village of Delta as a child when she was told stories of the lost community. Through extensive research, she has compiled many vintage images of the lost community in this book. She is currently the town clerk of Western and the part-time administrative assistant of the Rome Historical Society.