



The Fourth Marker

By L William Gibbons

Createspace, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. L William Gibbons (illustrator). 206 x 127 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.With a supernatural undercurrent, The Fourth Marker is the story of an elderly man, Gabriel Townsend, whose spirit is being crushed between the metaphoric anvil of his pragmatic views and the falling hammer of his wife s pending death. The story revolves around a family, the Townsends, whose heritage is partly Native American. The United States Indian Removal Act of 1830, which resulted in the Trail of Tears episode in American history, required all indigenous people, with few exceptions, to leave their tribal lands in the southeast and east, along the eastern seaboard. Some Lenape (Delaware) tribal members on the Delmarva Peninsula as well as other areas in the east, defied the government and remained on their ancestral lands, hiding from authorities in the Great Pocomoke Forest, outlying islands, and swamps on the southern peninsula. A conscious decision to hide in plain sight or not, they eventually intermarried and bred with local whites, African-Americans, and mulattoes. Many families whose ties to Delmarva date back a hundred years or more share a heritage with those...

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