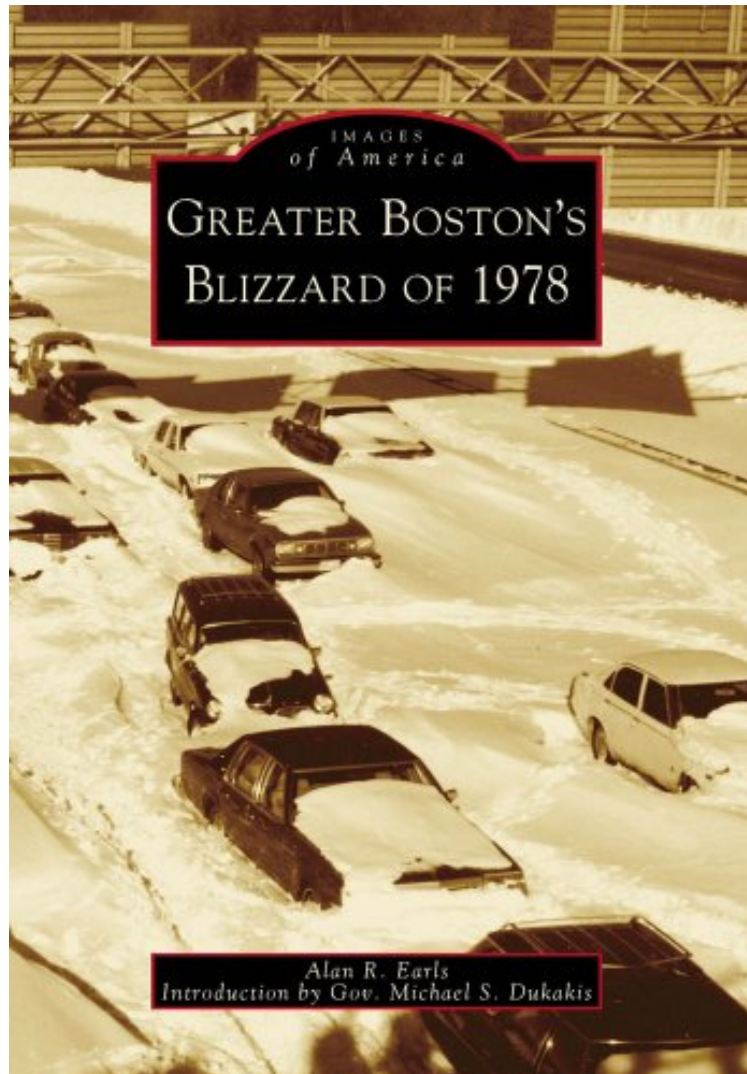


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Alan R. Earls : Greater Boston's Blizzard of 1978 (Images of America: Massachusetts) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Greater Boston's Blizzard of 1978 (Images of America: Massachusetts):

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. An Experience to Remember Told in PhotosBy JeanneI was living in a boarding house in Back Bay when this blizzard landed. Having virtually no access to news at the time, I never did learn much about the overall impact although, like everyone else, I had heard about the deaths and devastation on

Route 128 and on the Cape. The photographs in this book were fascinating. One series, taken from a house in Hull where the roads were flooded by rivers of seawater was the eeriest scene I can imagine. However, despite all the great photos, the book lacks in research. The brief narrative and photo captions depend too much on anecdotes and unverified guesses. The book is what it is, but I'd love to see a more journalistic documentation to go with these images.

5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. For those who lived through it...By Strong Reader
Where were you during the great blizzard of '78? Somehow I let my wife convince me leave work at 1:00 pm that day and made it home from Somerville in time to watch all those poor folks stranded on Rt 128 and Governor Dukakis work overtime to reassure us that we would not be buried alive. In this book, you have a chance to revisit the incredible scenes and situations that can barely be described. If you didn't live through it, I'm not sure I would recommend it. But for the rest of us, this is a great read for the next time you stay home from work during a snowstorm!

10 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four Stars
By Maggie
Brings back memories!

The great blizzard of 1978 is an event seared in the memory of anyone who lived through it. Most of Greater Boston was quickly overwhelmed by the storm, which shut down all forms of transit, stranded thousands of cars and motorists along Route 128, and virtually shut down most of the state for a week. But for many coastal communities, the impact of the storm, which brought record high tides and pounding surf, was pure devastation. The common thread shared by almost everyone in the region was positive memories of neighbors and strangers helping each other and finding new bonds of community. Greater Boston's Blizzard of 1978, illustrated with approximately 200 photographs from government archives and private collections, brings alive the fading experiences of February 1978 for those who were there and those who can only imagine.

About the Author
Alan R. Earls, a Boston-area writer, was one of those who managed to drive home through the worst of the blizzard. His previous books for Arcadia Publishing include *Route 128 and the Birth of the Age of High Tech*, *Digital Equipment Corporation*, *U.S. Army Natick Laboratories: The Science Behind the Soldier*, and *Watertown Arsenal*. He also coauthored *Raytheon: The First Sixty Years* and *Polaroid*. Michael S. Dukakis, the Democratic candidate for president in 1988, was in the midst of the first of his three terms as Massachusetts governor when the blizzard struck. He currently teaches at Northeastern University.