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"Stinging authenticity... a book that won't quit." -- *Atlanta Journal*

"A tender, raucous and often hilarious book." -- *Booklist*

"Conroy has captured a different slice of America in this funny, dramatic novel." -- *Richmond News -Leader*

From the Inside Flap

Step into the powerhouse life of Bull Meecham. He's all Marine --- fighter pilot, king of the clouds, and absolute ruler of his family. Lillian is his wife -- beautiful, southern-bred, with a core of velvet steel. Without her cool head, her kids would be in real trouble. Ben is the oldest, a born athlete whose best never satisfies the big man. Ben's got to stand up, even fight back, against a father who doesn't give in -- not to his men, not to his wife, and certainly not to his son. Bull Meecham is undoubtedly Pat Conroy's most explosive character -- a man you should hate, but a man you will love.

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