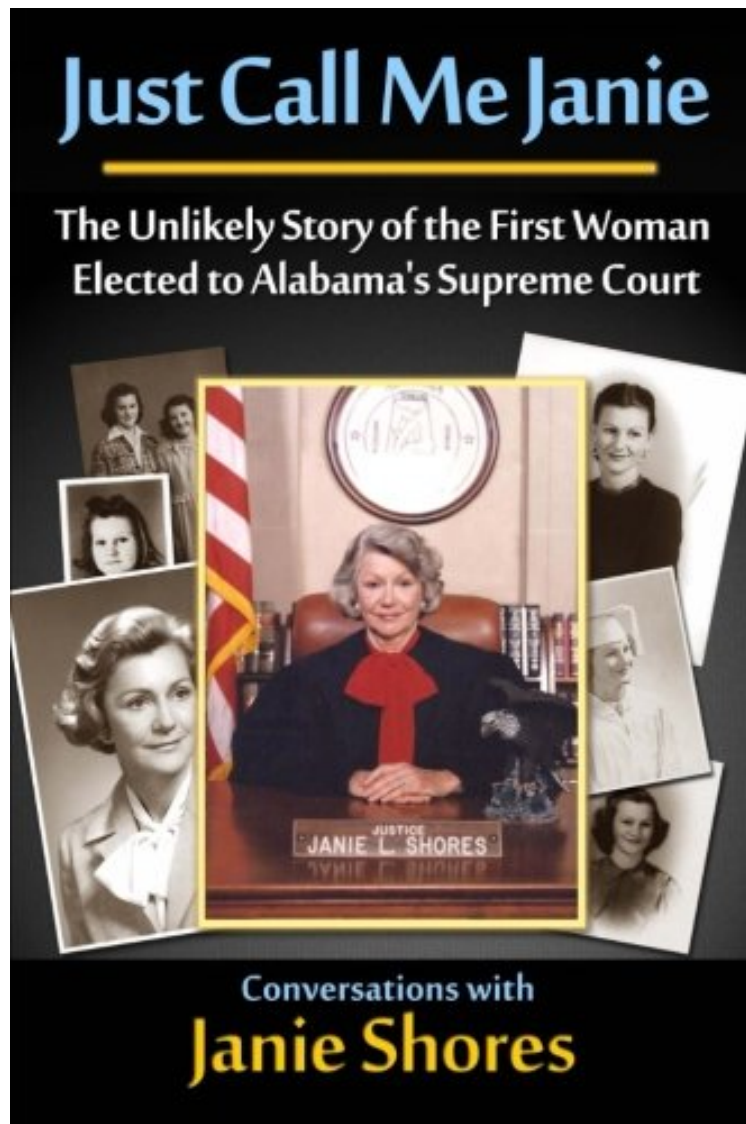


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I have met her, she strikes me in this book as she does in person as a workmanlike judge, kind of like Sandra Day O'Connor, concerned with one case as opposed to establishing broad policy or new precedent. Also didn't realize her husband was law partners with maybe the most liberal attorney in Alabama at the time, Chuck Morgan, he later fled to Atlanta and Washington DC. Funny thing after she repeats comments about herself from others such as the late Senator Heflin and former White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum as the "smartest woman in Alabama" which seems mildly sexist, I was surprised to see multiple typos in this book. Oops. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. My Conversation with the First Woman Justice on the Alabama Supreme Court By Rhonda Chambers This book allowed me to feel as though I was sitting down and having a conversation with the first woman justice on the Alabama Supreme Court. The narrator asked Justice Shores the follow up questions that I would have asked her had I been present. It was fascinating to have conversations with her about the glass ceiling that she broke for women in the legal profession. I could never just call her Janie. She will always be Justice Shores to me. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Wonderful story of a truly outstanding woman of our time By R Grant Wonderful story of a truly outstanding woman of our time. Proud to call her family, proud to call her an Alabamian! Not bad for a small town girl.

In my judgment, the name Janie Ledlow Shores should be inscribed, along with Helen Keller and Julia Strudwick Tutwiler, at the top of the list of Alabamas Greatest Women. Senator Howell Heflin Janie Shores, the first woman elected to Alabamas Supreme Court, may be one of the most important people youve never heard of, because many of the cases she worked on in the social upheaval of the 1960s and 70s shaped the key debates of todays divisive politics. Her autobiography, Just Call Me Janie, is a May 1 release of Intellect Publishing, LLC. Born Janie Ledlow in rural Alabama in the 1930s to parents of limited means, Janie grew up picking potatoes in hot dusty fields and being instilled with a long list of the many things "girls don't do". Armed with brains, persistence, cheers from select mentors, and her deep passion for justice, Janie defied the considerable odds and broke all the traditional social molds of her time to become an outstanding inspiration to her law school classmates and ultimately the first woman justice elected to the Alabama Supreme Court. Her remarkable career spanned some of the most turbulent times in U.S., and particularly Alabama, history. Dedicated to upholding federal laws aimed at protecting minorities, Janie worked for more liberal legal systems while practicing law in Montgomery and Birmingham, hot spots of racial tension -- boiling with issues that remain as relevant and controversial today as they were when Janie first began practicing law. Leaving Selma and her husband to escape being forced into the racist White Citizens Council by her in-laws, Janie moved to Birmingham and fought for equality and justice alongside other liberal lawyers, including her next husband Jim Shores. They all started out without means and unknown, and grew along with her to become icons of the American judicial and social history. Her colleagues included famous figures both liberal and conservative: Morris Dees. Howell Heflin, George and Lurleen Wallace, Millard Fuller, and many more colorful and unforgettable characters. Janie served on a special judicial committee to decide the legal fate of Judge Roy Moore when he defied federal mandates to remove religious sculpture from his courtroom. Janie tells tales of her varied experiences with perception and wit, allowing the reader to gain insight into the usually private workings of the higher echelons of the American judicial system and perspective into the importance of the decisions that are made there that affect all of our lives.

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