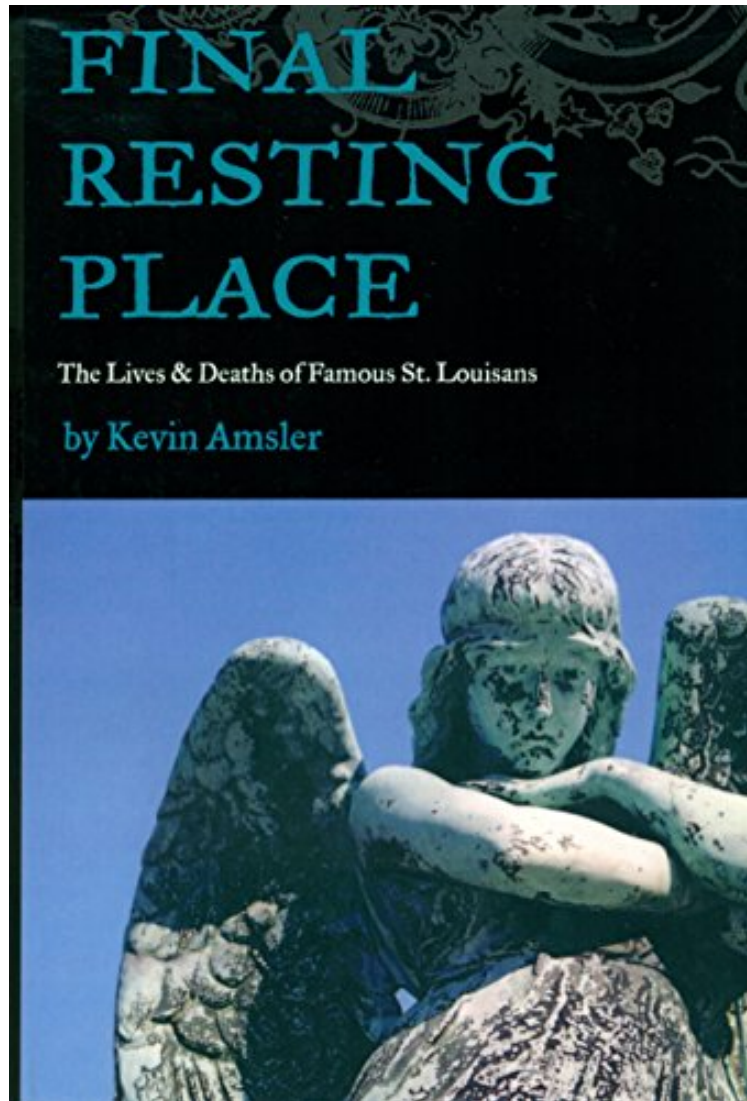


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St. Louisans puts a lively spin on an otherwise macabre topic. It consists of dozens of brief biographies of famous former St. Louis residents with an emphasis on their deaths and burial sites. Organized by cemeteries, most prominently Bellefontaine and Calvary, it starts with the early citizens and progresses to the more modern, often supplemented with pictures of the subjects, their homes or their grave sites. Author Kevin Amsler has done an excellent job of relating the history of St. Louis through the snippets of the people featured. I read this in preparation for a class on St. Louis history and I picked up stories and anecdotes of characters that I had never heard elsewhere or, if I had, was able to place them into a context that I had not previously appreciated. This is a short book and an easy, but most rewarding read.

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