



## The Silence of Our Friends

By Mark Long, Jim Demonakos

Roaring Brook Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, The Silence of Our Friends, Mark Long, Jim Demonakos, As the civil rights struggle heats up in Texas, two families—one white, one black—find common ground. This semi-autobiographical tale is set in 1967 Texas, against the backdrop of the fight for civil rights. A white family from a notoriously racist neighborhood in the suburbs and a black family from its poorest ward cross Houston's color line, overcoming humiliation, degradation, and violence to win the freedom of five black college students unjustly charged with the murder of a policeman. "The Silence of Our Friends" follows events through the point of view of young Mark Long, whose father is a reporter covering the story. Semi-fictionalized, this story has its roots solidly in very real events. With art from the brilliant Nate Powell ("Swallow Me Whole") bringing the tale to heart-wrenching life, "The Silence of Our Friends" is a new and important entry in the body of civil rights literature. The Silence of Our Friends Author Q&A How much of this book's story is based on real events? Mark Long: Creating a book like this one required us to find a balance between factual accuracy and emotional...



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