



Praise for *The True Father*
(Formerly *Rodeo Summer*)

"This novel reads like a work crafted by a master."—Mike Blakely, author of *Summer of Pearls*

"*Rodeo Summer* is a suspenseful love story—of many kinds A fine read for any season."
—Max Evans, Author of *Hi Lo Country*

"Stern Values of the Old West still survive on today's rodeo circuit, as Steven Law's *Rodeo Summer* illustrates."—Elmer Kelton, author of *The Good Old Boys*

ON THE DAY TREVOR HODGE graduates from college his life is about to take a sudden turn, and it's not toward the big accounting job that he'd lined up. Surprised by a visitor at his college commencement, Trevor learns that his father, who he never knew, has died in an accident. Trevor is drawn by a subconscious and relentless yearning to go to Oklahoma to the funeral. He ultimately decides to stay the summer with his father's family and travel the rodeo circuit, where his father was a local hero. He falls in love with his lost family, with the rural atmosphere of Oklahoma, as well as a pretty half Choctaw barrel racer. But most of all, Trevor faces an awakening he never expected, and one that leaves his family, and the town of Spiro, on the edge of their seats.

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