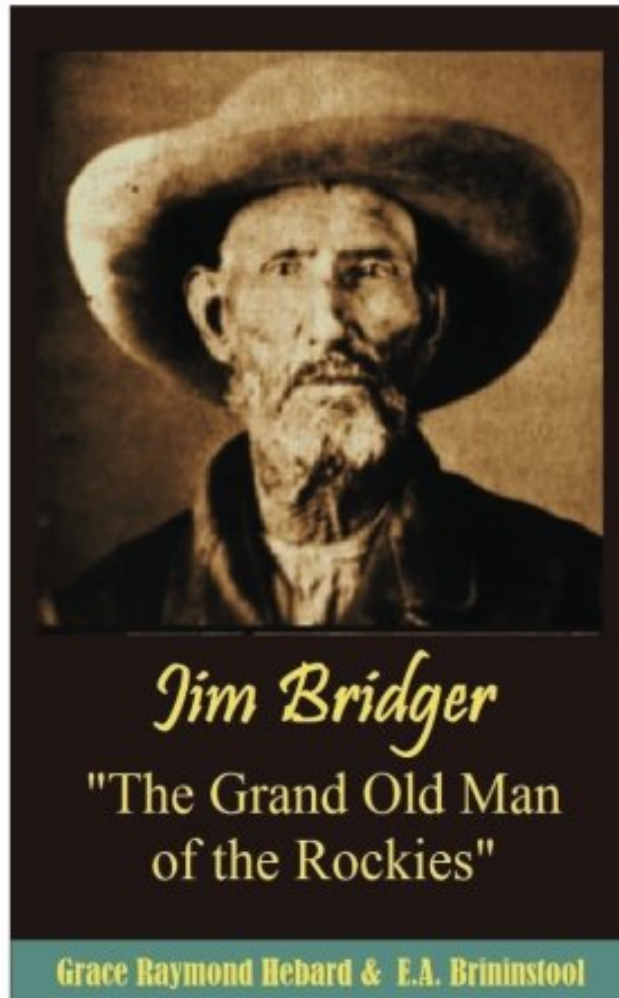


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**Grace Raymond Hebard : Jim Bridger "The Grand Old Man of the Rockies"** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Jim Bridger "The Grand Old Man of the Rockies":

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Remarkable PersonBy Gary UpshawJoe Bridger was a rare person. Although not formally educated, he did display remarkable intelligence, learning several languages, learning how to survive in the wilds, and evidently he had a remarkable memory capable of forming detailed topological maps in his mind and keeping the information for years. For someone to survive all those years in the mountains with

dangerous Indians and wildlife, and living off the land for food shelter and clothing takes more than luck. From Wikipedia: James Felix Bridger (March 17, 1804 July 17, 1881) was among the foremost mountain men, trappers, scouts and guides who explored and trapped the Western United States during the decades of 1820-1850, as well as mediating between native tribes and encroaching whites. He was of English ancestry, and his family had been in North America since the early colonial period. Jim Bridger had a strong constitution that allowed him to survive the extreme conditions he encountered walking the Rocky Mountains from what would become southern Colorado to the Canada-US border. He had conversational knowledge of French, Spanish and several native languages. He would come to know many of the major European American explorers of the early west, including Kit Carson, George Armstrong Custer, Hugh Glass, John Frmont, Joseph Meek, and John Sutter. Bridger was a young contemporary of British and American pathfinders including Peter Skene Ogden, Jedediah Smith, and William Sublette. In 1830, Smith and his associates sold their fur company to Bridger and his associates naming it the Rocky Mountain Fur Company. Bridger was part of the second generation of mountain men and pathfinders who explored the American West that followed the Lewis and Clark expedition in 1804. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. recommend this to all who seek stories of the mountains and the men who tamed them By cjtravis I read this after being inspired to read several frontier/mountain man books after seeing and reading the most recent THE REVENANT. I didn't like how the recent book played down the story of Jim Bridger and made him merely a side kick to the tale. He was surely a bigger player in the west. This book is the story that puts Jim out to the masses and made his legend known. Maybe there is some false swagger added to his tale, but alas don't all of these mountain man books do that for their main character? I enjoyed this book and recommend it to you and all who seek stories of the mountains and the men who lived their lives in them. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good Information on Jim Bridger By Gary I wanted to learn about Jim Bridger, one the West's great legends. This short book gives the reader information about his life, experiences, etc. in the West. As with most Western legends, not a lot is known his daily life, but only general facts and overviews are known and are given in the book. This book satisfied my desire to learn more about Jim Bridger.

Jim Bridger may be most famous for being, as a youth, one of the two mountain men who abandoned famed trapper Hugh Glass after he had been mauled by a grizzly bear. It was Hugh's thoughts of revenge for this abandonment that fueled his recovery and eventual tracking down of the young Bridger. James Bridger, known as Jim Bridger (1804-1881), was among the foremost mountain men, trappers, scouts and guides who explored and trapped the Western United States during the decades of 1820-1850, as well as mediating between native tribes and encroaching whites. From inside the book: The western plains and mountains brought forth thousands of men noted for their valor, bravery, daring, sagacity, woodcraft, frontiersmanship and skill in guiding wagon trains and military expeditions across the trackless prairie and barren desert and through snow capped mountain fastnesses on the way to the land of gold beyond the setting sun, or in trailing and bringing to bay the savage hordes that sternly fought the advances of civilization; but among those dauntless spirits there was one who stood head and shoulders above all others as the greatest scout, trapper and guide, the most skilled frontiersman, and the quietest, most modest and unassuming prairie man in all the west. That person was James Bridger, Major Bridger, or, as he was more commonly and familiarly known, "old Jim Bridger," the "grand old man of the Rockies." No history of the American western frontier would be complete without a sketch of the life of this remarkable man.