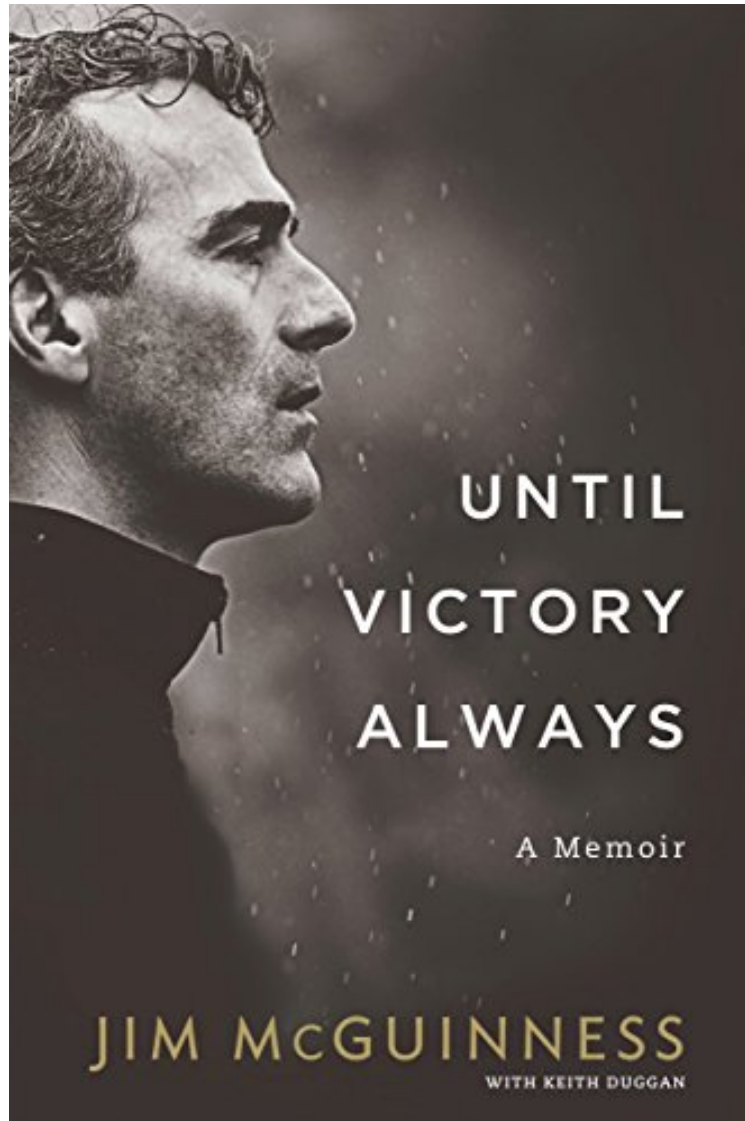


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football seasons with Jim's own personal story and all told with a Donegal lilt and turn of phrase that bring the pages to life. It is an emotional journey, ranging from funny and sentimental to tragic and inspiring. Jim comes across as an incredibly driven-man who makes no apology for doing what he believed needed to be done. As with any tale there's more than one side to the story and sometimes the reasoning behind certain decisions seems contradictory but in a way that only adds to the honesty of the book. Bending the truth to wrap everything up in a tidy bow would not have made a more satisfying memoir. I followed the Donegal team as closely as I could during those years and even travelled to Ireland to attend the All-Ireland Football Final in 2014. Reading this book now gives me even more respect and admiration for what Jim and his team achieved and how they did it. I can only hope there's more to come. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Top notch Gaa memoir By Boingy Customer Super read, way more informative than a lot of Gaa memoirs, avoids the cliches, and is a good story. U feel you are getting some idea of what it took for Donegal to go from zero to hero's in a few years 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent read, detailing the determination and passion of Jim ... By Simon W Excellent read, detailing the determination and passion of Jim McGuinness in his drive to resurrect the fortunes of Donegal football. Extremely moving and poignant at times, McGuinness innate honesty decency shine throughout this book. In addition he makes no apologies for his absolute ruthlessness in dealing with obstacles that were in the way of his ultimate goal. Highly recommended for lovers of sports biographies.

Isquo;Therersquo;s a difference between living and being alive.rsquo; Jim McGuinness inherited a wounded thing when he took over as manager of the Donegal senior football team in the summer of 2010. When he stepped down just over four years later, the same group of players had won three Ulster championships, the All-Ireland title of 2012 and succeeded in overturning a century-old perception of how Gaelic football should be played. His departure also marked the end of a personal odyssey, which had begun almost three decades earlier and weathered the aftermath of two family tragedies. Destined to become a classic, *Until Victory Always* is McGuinness's unforgettable and highly personal account of his years at the helm of the Donegal team. Confessional, moving, funny and fiercely honest, it's at once the epic story of one team's audacious bid to rewrite its destiny and one man's moving testament to the power of sport to sustain us in our darkest moments.

About the Author Jim McGuinness is an Irish sports coach and manager. His four-year period at the helm of the Donegal senior team, a county with which he won an All-Ireland medal as a player in 1992, ranks as one of the most successful in the sport's recent history. He currently occupies the position of Performance Consultant with Celtic FC. He lives with his wife, Yvonne, and five children, Toni-Marie, Mark Anthony, Jimmy, Bonnie and Aoibh, in Glenties, Co. Donegal. Keith Duggan is from Donegal and has been twice awarded Sports Journalist of the Year. He is currently Chief Sports Writer with *The Irish Times*. Previous books include *The Lifelong Season* and *House of Pain*.