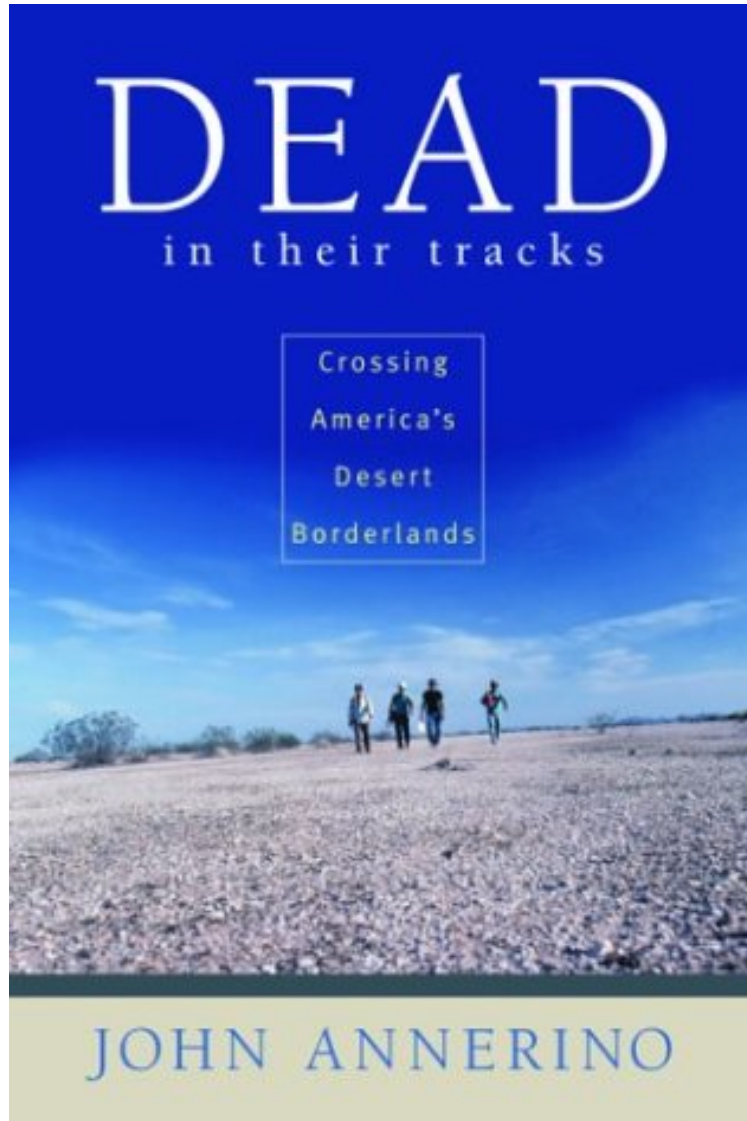


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read book for those who don't believe immigrants add anything to the United States. Mexicans and Central Americans cross this desert to try to make a better life for themselves. They often die in the desert due to lack of water. When they make it to America, they work jobs that no American would work, like picking agricultural products. They receive little of the American pie since they live in cramped apartments, yet many Americans believe they siphon off valuable social services. This book details the hazardous journey to the American dream of seven day work weeks at little pay to provide Americans with cheap food. The men seek employment to provide a better life for their families at home. They die in the deserts by the hundreds with little mention in the news. The author details the hazardous journey to a better life. The book contains grim photos of the dead entombed in the American desert. For those who hate what immigrants bring to America, they should read this book and understand the risks these people go to find a better life.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. *Journey of Death* By Mark P. Sadler *Dead in Their Tracks: Crossing America's Desert Borderlands* Since 1540 attempting to traverse El Camino del Diablo, crossing the 4,100 square mile no-man's land, the borderlands in the Southwest corner of Arizona, stretching from Gila Bend to Yuma has proved to be a daunting task. This trail has proved to be one of the deadliest for illegal immigrants crossing over from Mexico to the 'promised land'. So why then do these fearless young Mexican's take on the heat of Arizona's summers, attempting to cross the numerous desert basins and rugged mountain ranges, often without sufficient supplies of food or water? Annerino has been drawn to the outback of Arizona since a young man and joined up with a group of four migrants to document their trip as they saunter out in the rippling desert's mirages in an effort to find jobs in America in order to provide a better life for the young families they leave behind. They come in search of the jobs that most American's abhor - picking lettuce or watermelon in fields, working twelve-hour days to earn a few dollars. Traveling with these migrant workers, sharing their journey, water and food Annerino writes a fascinating tale of their failed attempt, and documenting the shared journey that is tracked by La Migra, the maligned border patrol who often find themselves in the role of the rescuer, putting their lives at risk to help dying illegals, or picking up the remains of those whose dreams fell fatally short. Annerino ends the book with a list 'in memorium' of all documented deaths of immigrants, refugees, border agents, and humanitarian who has died in Arizona's desolate desert. The tome as written, and including his own photographs, is one that will touch you no matter where you stand in the battle waged against illegal immigration.

On assignment for Newsweek, noted photojournalist John Annerino journeyed deep into one of the least hospitable spots on the planet the scorched 4,100-square-mile "empty quarter" that straddles Mexico and Arizona. There he met four Mexican nationals determined to cross a 130-mile trail illegally to find work to feed their families. *Dead in Their Tracks* is the record of their experience. Annerino's unflinching camera and sensitive text capture the lives of these men, along with the ranchers, Border Patrol trackers, and drug runners whose livelihoods also depend on this grim realm. *Dead in Their Tracks* unforgettable images of anonymous travelers who may survive, and the bleached bones of those who did not, show the ultimate price sometimes exacted by an unforgiving nature and by those who make policy in this area. 70 photographs and maps are featured in this harrowing chronicle of the dangers and struggles fought for a better way of life.

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