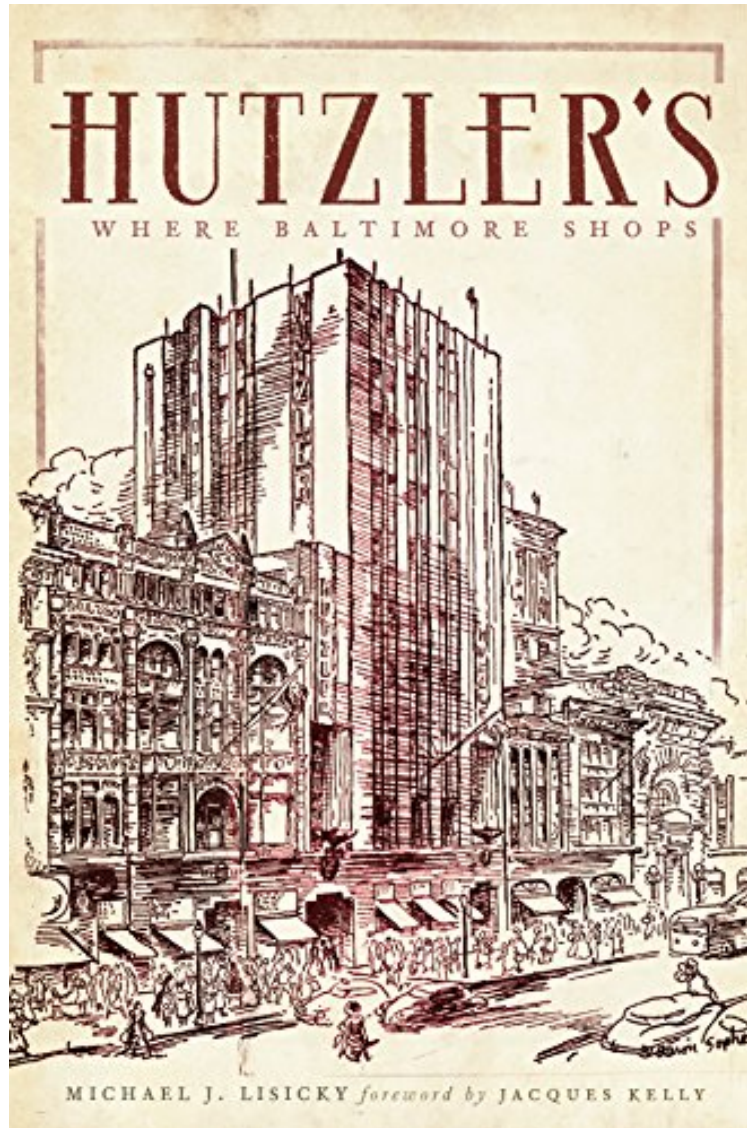


Hutzler's: Where Baltimore Shops (Landmarks)

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Michael J. Lisicky : Hutzler's: Where Baltimore Shops (Landmarks) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Hutzler's: Where Baltimore Shops (Landmarks):

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Department Store Shopping in Baltimore the Way it Was By Brian Wayne Wells Hutzler's department store was one of the Baltimore's "great old department stores" of which very few are still left in existence. My wife grew up in Baltimore and found that shopping was different in the glory days of these old department stores. Shoppers would spend a great deal of the day shopping in the store and would eat dinner at the Colonial Restaurant at the sixth floor of the store. Eating out at the store was a major event of the shopping day. Michael Lisicky expands this book from a book about Hutzler's alone into a book department store shopping in

Baltimore generally by the inclusion of a chapter about other Baltimore department stores including Hochschild, Kohn Co., Stewart Co., The May Company and the Hecht Company. This book is a fair portrayal of the history of Hutzler's-- even discussing the disagreeable subject of the segregation in the dining rooms at Hutzler's and other department stores of Baltimore. Protests against the policy of segregation in the department stores, were carried out by students from Morgan State University starting in 1955. Discrimination was finally ended in all the Baltimore department stores in 1960.

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Hutzlers: Where Baltimore Shops, a review. By Joel Hutzler

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2. Please enter a title for your review: Item being reviewed Hutzler's (MD): Where Baltimore Shops (Landmarks) Michael J. Lisicky has an interesting style of writing and completed his research carefully before putting his manuscript in print. It was a tough subject to tackle. He covers many of the background facts of the founding and operation of the 132-year family dynasty without becoming too serious and text-bookish. There are many family stories that he omitted, perhaps because he was not aware of them or perhaps because they were excessive. The downfall of the store would make an interesting sequel to this story. I found this book most entertaining. Joel Hutzler, Jr. (A great grandson of Moses Hutzler who's three sons were THE Hutzler Brothers.)

7 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Memories of bygone days By Mary T. Oler

HUTZLER'S - Where Baltimore shops, brought back so many happy memories, not only of Hutzler's, but of all the downtown stores that used to be. One thing that I thought was conspicuous by its absence was not mentioning anything about Hutzler's downtown garage that you entered and exited onto Mulberry St. and where packages were delivered from the store and picked up by customers when they got their cars. It was a great service as were many of the other services Hutzlers offered. The references were well documented and made for much nostalgia of pre-war and post war times in the major retail area of Baltimore. I've recommended the book to several friends who knew the area as well as I did. I'm eager for my older children to read it but they will only have sketchy memories except for the Towson store.

For 132 years, Hutzler Brothers Company was a beloved part of the Baltimore retail and cultural scene. Charm City natives still recall with nostalgia the distinctive Art Deco design of the Downtown store, the glitter of the fashion shows, the unforgettable Christmas celebrations and the chocolate chiffon pie served in the store's Colonial Restaurant. Local author Michael J. Lisicky pays tribute to Hutzler's as he chronicles the rise of the family-run department store, its growth into Towson and other Maryland cities and its eventual and much lamented passing. Interviews with John Waters, former Hutzlerites and statesmen provide a glimpse into the role that Hutzler's played in the lives of so many Baltimoreans. With his vivid prose and some classic Hutzler's recipes, Lisicky brings to life this lost Baltimore institution.

'If this doesn't become the hottest local holiday gift this year, I'll be very surprised. It's beautifully written, obviously by someone who has an affinity for department stores, and lavishly illustrated...' ---Fred Rasmussen, Baltimore Sun

'Mecca of the Market. The book details the history of the legendary Hutzler's chain. The book chronicles the rise and fall of the Hutzler Bros. chain and recalls when Hutzler's was retail royalty.' ---Loni Ingraham, Towson Times

'To hear Mr. Lisicky talk, writing this book was simply his destiny.' ---Alan Feiler, Baltimore Jewish Times

About the Author Michael J. Lisicky is the author of several critically acclaimed department store history books. He helps to produce an "Ask the Expert" column at www.departmentstorehistory.net and resides in Baltimore, where he is an oboist with the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.