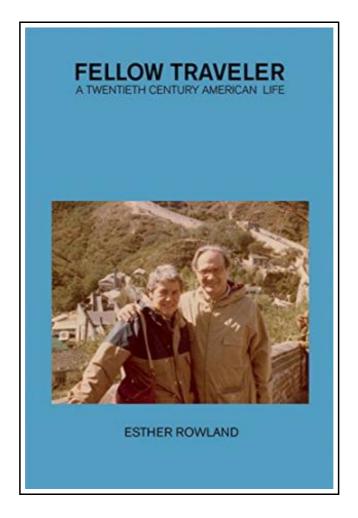
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BookBaby, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 226 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. Esther Rowland, a former Associate Dean at Barnard College, and wife of Lewis P. (Bud) Rowland M.D., former chair of the Department of Neurology at Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons, writes a memoir about her life, which has spanned much of the Twentieth Century. She has called the book: Fellow Traveler, a concept that has three meanings: first, her journey through life with her partner of 63 years, second: the political connotation of a political path she and Bud chose as members of the non-communist left; and third: a description of some of their more memorable travels. Esther starts with stories of her early childhood on West 86th Street in Manhattan, the family s move to Flushing to save money on rent in the time of the Great Depression, and then to the Grand Concourse, where she did most of her growing up. She tells about the public schools she attended and some of the problems the Jewish children had with their Irish teachers. She also describes her growing political awareness at the time of the Spanish Civil War, an awareness that blossomed into a strong more than liberal identity in her later years. Her desire to be both a scholar, and a wife and mother, becomes a major theme of the book. Esther recounts her search for the right husband; the events that led up to her meeting Bud; their twelve-week courtship and marriage; the brush with McCarthy-ites and how that turned out. She talks about starting a family in the post-Second World War economy and its effect on women who wished to work outside the home. Esther tells of her experience as pre-med advisor at the University...

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