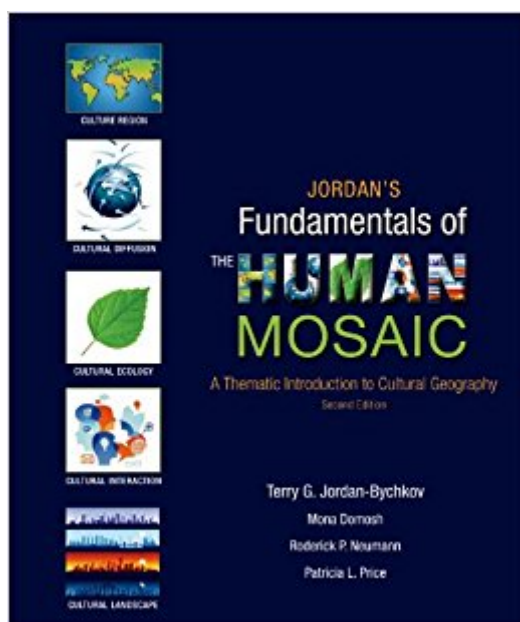


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Building (1985), Texas Graveyards (1982), Trails to Texas: Southern Roots of Western Cattle Ranching (1981), and German Seed in Texas Soil (1966). His final book, *The Upland South* (2003) published in 2003 was the result of 40 years of research and was a logical and intellectual culmination of his scholarly career.

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