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Timothy E. Cook (1954-2006) was the author of *Governing with the News: The News Media as a Political Institution*, which won the Doris A. Graber Best Book Award of the American Political Science Association. He was a coauthor of *Crosstalk: Citizens, Candidates, and the Media in a Presidential Campaign*, which won the Doris Graber Prize of the American Political Science Association.

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