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Mariah Garnet didn't mean any harm when she sent her older sister's picture to Sgt. Sol Standish—her pen-pal stationed in the Middle East—and forgot to mention that at 18 she's on a fast track to becoming a surgeon like her dad.

Then Sol is badly wounded in combat, and there's no time to straighten things out before Mariah grants him his last wish—her hand in marriage—over the phone.

Sol didn't expect to live, or return home with a battered body and defeated spirit, to face a new bride who isn't at all what he'd expected.

Now Mariah must convince him that she's much more than the little lies that landed his ring on her finger.

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Monique says

[I can't for the life of me figure out why she thought he'd whip her with his belt when he had never once been physically hurtful to her. (hide spoiler)]

Angel Rose says

Great read

Great book! I could not put it down. I want to read all of this author's books. Romantic and intriguing. This book engages your imagination and is a must read.

Saly says

Thanks Jessica for the loan!1

Rating 3.25 stars

This book was old and so UN-PC!!Still it was wacky fun.

Elena says

2.5*

Ummm not quite sure what happened here... I really liked the beginning of the book and the way that it was written, but the plot itself bothered me a lot! Why was there such a huge mystery about her past and why did she keep lying to him the whole time?! The reasons just did not seem convincing enough! The way she acted, scheming and lying the whole time just annoyed me - she acted like an immature child! And why hide her brains?? Maybe she should have stood up to her parents sooner, rather than acting stupid and lying to both her parents and her husband for so long!

Also - during **what** war is this supposed to be happening?? The author claims it's the "current" one, but the characters act and talk as if this was happening in the '40s! (I know it's not taking place 70 years ago, but then *why* does everything sound so dated?!)

Sandra says

"What happening to us?" Sol asked, his body trembling all over, his pulse racing out of control.

"I don't know," Mariah whispered. She was pinned by his body, by his searching gaze. "I feel so- strange."

"Help me up, he said, and his fingers sought hers. Their wedding bands connected, and their vows were suddenly there between them, a haunting memory of terror and heartbreak.

"To have and to hold," Mariah murmured. Tears smarted in her eyes. "I never thought I'd hold you like this, I lost you, Sol, and I thought I was dying with you. "Don't ever leave me again."

He raised her hand to his lips and brushed her band of gold against his whiskered cheek. "Don't cry. I'm here, and we've got the rest of our lives together. Maybe I took my vows without realizing they'd stick, but I did, and we're together from this day forward."

"You don't regret it?" she asked softly.

"I did at first, but not since I laid eyes on you."

He fingered his eye-patch and she felt a quick stab of emotion. She reached up and stroked his finger away to touch the patch. Her breath caught. She knew what she was about to do wasn't wise, but she was driven by need to take their intimacy beyond sex, and slipped her finger beneath the patch.

Sol tensed and grew still. As she caressed the wound, she ached for his loss, felt his vulnerability.

"You amaze me," he said in a rough voice.

"Why did you do it?"

"I wanted to touch you where no one else would....."

Tonileg says

Contemporary military romance with one tough and sexy guy in a uniform who falls for his pen pal who he thinks is a mature woman, but actually she is a pre-med teenager. Mariah Garnet has a sexy pen-pal relationship with Sgt. Sol Standish who is stationed in the Middle East she is very mature for 19 years old because she is also a genius that has already finished college. Her family has her whole life planned but Mariah has her own plan and that involves her pen pal love Sol who she marries under duress when Sol is badly wounded in combat and is on the operation table when they get married on the phone. She may have not planned to be married like that but she has no regrets.

Sweet military damaged hero and an even sweeter heroine who is still figuring out her future.

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2 stars

Lynde Shaw says

Started out ok, but then it was like, what just happened? An 18 yr old has been writing letters to a 30 year old soldier who thinks she's actually her 24 yr old sister. He's injured in war and returns to the states after "marrying" her over the phone. Like another reviewer pointed out, the language in this book sounded historical and yet it was a contemporary novel. It just didn't do it for me.

Mina says

I made it quite far... I believe almost 40% of the book. Unfortunately, I felt nothing for the characters. The way they interacted with each other made no sense to me. Also the whole marrying over the phone thing. It's just a little too weird.

Jessica Huck says

Brilliantly worded but I wish the plot would have been a little more complex.

Lizzie says

JUST A LITTLE JAILBAIT.

This ended better than it does in real life. Buyer Beware! Okay seriously, I did enjoy this book. Even though it seemed like no one could tell the truth about any thing. Lies and half truths were flying around everywhere. I'm not sure how they kept track of it all. And, a hero hurt is still a hero. A man (or woman) does not stop being a soldier just because there is no. More war he can fight. The hardness forged in battle doesn't always quietly go away because the scenery changed. And boy did I really enjoy this book.

Jill says

This was a great story of unconditional love and how commitment is more than just being there in the good times. Although there are some more graphic scenes, they are done tastefully and add to the story.

Gina says

Definitely a learning to love through all kinds of hurdles book. Loved Sol and Mariah's story.

Sharon says

Read in E-pub format on my Nook.

Marisa Valle says

Better than I expected.

Linda Levine says

good story

I enjoyed the story. The characters seemed realistic and the relationship developed over time. There wasn't a rush to solve all their issues. This was my first book by this author and I am interested in reading more of her stories.
