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Lies. Manipulation. Deceit.

At the inception of the zombie apocalypse, a mother will do whatever it takes to find her family, even if it means leading the people who saved her life to their death.

They have no military training, no powerful weapons, and no clear path to follow. No one is there to step in and help, and this group regular people--strangers until now--will have to put everything on the line to find what might only be a myth. Death is inevitable, and the undead will stop at nothing to devour the living.

This is only the beginning of the end: "**Silence of Souls**" is the first novel in the series. (Full-length novel.)

Contains adult language and situations, including graphic zombie violence.

COMING SOON: **Resurgence (book 2 in the "Silence of Souls" series)

Silence of Souls Details

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Darryl says

Started reading this book Fri and finished it Sunday ..its hard to write a review without any spoilers ..i found the book very fast moving ,extremely well written and some all to true incidences ..i have told my friends about it and now they are in order to read it ..this book would make a incredible movie ..i have so much to say about the book but i won`t spoil it ...it will be fun to talk about it after my friends are on the same page ..i would loved to have read this book at the cottage ..the book the cottage would go great..D

Laine says

It's truly a challenge to find a book like this. It's rare you find:

- 1) A female author writing in the zombie genre.
- 2) An indie book that is so well-edited.
- 3) A zombie book that does not have the stereotypical ex-military man as the lead character.
- 4) A zombie novel that actually deals with what the reality of a zombie apocalypse would be like, instead of just being a slaughter-fest of the undead.

To find all four of those elements in one book is a godsend! I loved the characters- realistic people with realistic flaws who made mistakes that affected all of them. Most zombie books have one or two overly compensating male leads with so much testosterone rushing through them that you forget they're even human. In "Silence Of Souls" the characters are fascinating, and I could relate to the choices of most of them (especially Julia, since I am a mother myself and would do anything for my children). That last chapter had me gripping to my seat- whoa!!

The flashbacks really added to the humanity of Julia, the main character. She holds on to these simple memories in order to keep herself motivated throughout the book.

This is listed as the first in a series (though it does not say how many books will be in the series), and I can't wait to read the next one!

Overall, this has to be one of my favorite zombie novels to date. It's the most incredible and unique zombie novel I've ever read!

John says

Wow. I first came to know about S. M. Oberhansley when I read about her donating proceeds from her book to the Newtown tragedy. I thought, well, I need to buy some to contribute to this. I'm glad I did because she is one fantastic author! I thoroughly enjoyed this book and have recently purchased book 2, Resurgence, which I can't wait to start. She fills the book with twists and surprises and oh, don't get too attached to the characters. She's not afraid to let some of them go either.

Randy Harmelink says

An easy to read book, although I enjoyed the first half of the book a lot more than the second half. I was starting to dislike the main character at that point, which is not a good thing for a zombie apocalypse story, where I tend to look for heroic characters. However, I did like that there are a lot of scenes where one or more of the main characters are lost, instead of everyone in the group miraculously escaping close calls.

I was going to give the book a 4 rating, but ultimately decided on a 3, based on how likely I would be to read the book again.

I had two quibbles with the story itself:

-- The main character has a number of dream interludes. I found these detracted from the story instead of enhancing it.

-- I don't recall the word "zombie" ever being used, which made me feel it was taking place in some alternate dimension where there is no awareness of the genre. Today, that's just unrealistic. The irony is that the undead nature of a "vampire" was brought up.

Linda Walker says

I found this book to be a refreshing change from the normal zombie book. The characters in the story started off at ground zero of the outbreak and for a long time believed what the media said about the zombie only being sick people. They dealt with attacks by trying to just push them away and not kill them. But when it did happen, they were left with the emotional stress of killing what they thought were human beings. It wasn't until close to the end when they began to realize there was a lot more to it than what they were originally told.

Bob says

S.M. Oberhansley's first published novel was a brilliant start to what I hope will be a long career of giving to the public a smartly crafted Zombie story. It was the authors vision of the bloody, violent, horrific Zombie apocalypse to come. After reading this I want to build a underground bunker and prepare for the disaster to come. The premise was very realistic. You could see how the wheels could be set in motion for this sort of event to happen. The writing was such that you came to care for all of the main characters in her book even the not so lovable ones. Also there was a point in the book where I didn't care for a decission that one of the main characters made and I'm voicing my opinion out loud to this fictional person only later realizing people are starting to turn their heads towards me. I was hoping the men in the white coats were not called to come take me away as I wanted to finish the book to see what would become of them all. Of course in a book like this not everyone makes it out alive so you have to give your self time to mourn as you have come to think of these people as someone who could be a neighbor of yours. The descriptions of the bloody violence were so crystal clear that I believe I got some blood and guts on me a few times and was checking my body for cuts or bites making sure I didn't get infected. This is the first of a trio of books she will be writing on this intrepid group of people on their journey through this wasteland and I look forward to the next two with much anticipation.

Ashley says

Loved that it wasn't ex-military. Characters had some flaws. The main character had a habit of lying to get what she wanted, but I could see it being justified in her eyes to get to her kids. I liked the twist of different reanimation times for different people. The ending was crazy insane intense. The last bit has me biting my nails waiting for the next installment of the series. Lots of emotions, lots of action, lots of gore, lots of zombies.

Wendy says

This book was great!!
