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A soldier swears an oath to uphold the constitution and protect our country, while a soldier's spouse takes the unwritten oath to a life of constant moves, lengthy separations and endless anxieties

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Nay says

I expected to really cry a lot over this book that so many recommended. I didn't cry at all, I didn't enjoy this book much. I thought some of the stories were silly, not endearing. I don't know, I'm an Army wife but this didn't tug at the heart strings like I thought it would.

Belinda says

I love this book! I try to read some here and there. I can't sit down and read more than one story at a time because each one brings me to tears. Heartfelt and understanding tears. These stories were written during a time when communication during deployment meant waiting weeks for letters. I have not experienced that lack of communication except about 4-6 weeks, maybe 2 or 3 times in our marriage. I feel so lucky and blessed.

Chassidy Combs says

I'm a marine poolee girlfriend and so I'd thought I'd pick this book up. I'm kind of a freak when it comes to certain things and future planning. I could tell you all about my wedding down to the smallest detail but couldn't tell you what college I'm for certain going to. This book tells heart warming, sometimes tear-jerking stories. If you are a person of faith, these stories are very God-centered for the most part. One downside was I don't think there was a fair representation of Marine and National Guard stories. Maybe I'm just one sided but I saw a lot of Navy, Army and Air Force stories and was kind of bummed. Where are my Marine and National Guard wives at? But overall I can see myself down the road, when I'm married to hopefully my Marine-to-be, picking this book up again.

Mandi says

As a "veteran" military wife, I could really relate to a lot of these stories. Some were just a good story, and many brought me to tears. I don't think you can fully understand the life of a military family until you've been there.

Bella says

As a new army wife going through her first deployment this book has been some what of a reflection. I read this book before my husband's deployment started but I still go back and say wow these other wives had it

hard compared to me!

Dana says

Niektore príbehy mi prisli take... no, neviem ako to spravne vyjadrit, proste boli prehnane "americke" - za kazdu cenu zdoraznujuce, aka je Amerika uzasna a najsamlepsia krajina a vsetci obyvatelia krajiny, ak nie celej planety, by mali americku armadu chvalit a velebit za to, aku obetu jej vojaci prinasaju... Kniha ako celok vsak splnila svoj ucel, niektore príbehy mi veru zabrnkali na city a opat potvrdili to, na co neraz verejnost zabuda - ze rodiny a hlavne manzelky, partnerky vojakov su tie, ktore vedu taku svoju vlastnu "vojnu" doma a podobne ako vojaci, prinasaju tiez velke obety...

Becky says

I thought I would enjoy this a lot more than I did...I tend to enjoy books about soldiers and their families. It's amazing how different each perspective is and each experience. I found this book a little TOO heartwarming...I was always searching for the reality underneath it. Even the stories about finding out your soldier was never coming back home were too "nice" - I always felt like I was searching for the reality.

Amanda Coudriet says

I absolutely LOVE this book. It really helped me through a lot. Not the best book to read if your husband is deployed. It makes you very emotional. You definately don't need that while he is gone. But if he is at home definately recomend it. I LOVE IT.

Canesgalactica says

I am only a military wife of 6 years (US Navy) and while I found some of these stories to be entertaining or endearing, many of them were just written in such a childish, sappy way that I am sad to say that I am kind of embarrassed to be associated with the military if the opinions of people not in the service or married to the service are reflections from this book.

Perhaps it is because I am not a Christian, so I found the constant "praying to God" and "God has a plan" bits to be overbearing (but not enough to keep me from reading the book), but maybe also because I do not necessarily associate with these stories. Some that were written are from WWII, Korea and Vietnam and I certainly found those stories worth reading.. but several of them just flat out annoyed me or I found myself going "I want to know where this woman/man lives.. because the bases I have lived on and around have NOT been that friendly or forthcoming."

I know each place is a different experience, but I feel like this book and the stories in it come from a time long ago, when people were actually nicer to one another and actually cared about the military service member and his family instead of lambasting us for 'being married in the military' or accusing us all of being 'pro-war'.

In any case, the book is still probably worth a read regardless of whether you are part of the military family or not, just be advised that the stories are not necessarily a true reflection of all military service members or their families.

Niki Pugh says

Really not as good as I was hoping. I didn't cry (not even in chapter 8) and I only laughed a few times. I think it was too sugar coated. But unfortunately, I'm happy to say this book is over with. Maybe the next one will hit a little closer to home.

amanda says

Some amazing stories to put a military spouse's struggles into perspective. Being a military spouse in this day and age is hard enough, I can't imagine what some of the military wives from past wars had to go through with no internet or sat phones to connect them with their loved ones!

Jennifer Trombly says

I adore this book! I've read the stories in it over and over and even purchased a copy to give to a fellow military wife friend of mine. So many of the stories I could relate to, but each touched my heart .. a few even drawing tears. This book makes you appreciate what you have, and certainly gives you the itch to cuddle with your loved ones!

Maddy Merritt says

This is one of my favorite books I have ever read. I am a marine girlfriend so I can relate to all of these stories. It takes a lot of strength to be in love with someone in the military. I am glad to know I'm not the only one who thinks and feels this way. This book tells the stories of hardships that military wives and girlfriends had to go through. I was recommended this book by a friend who is a marine wife. This book helped her get through so much. The stories will touch your heart. I would recommend this book to anyone who is in this situation. It lets you feel like you are not alone while they are away. I am warning you, this book can make you very emotional.

Sarah Martinez Castellanos says

I learned that it takes a strong person to be able to go through all the things a military wife has to come across in their everyday lives. Most people think how can you go without seeing the one you love but they don't understand that you can't control who you fall in love with. For that reason you do anything and everything to be there for your loved one no matter what because in the end it's their love that keeps you going and not to give up on what you are fighting for.

Tristan says

Such a moving, inspirational book. I read this after my husband left for his first deployment. It actually comforted me because I realized that even though I may only get one email every month and have to wait 3 months before I heard from him at all, it was far better than what military wives went through in the past. This made me appreciate and "wow" over what military wives in the true war era went through as well as making me very thankful for what little communication I did get with my submariner.
