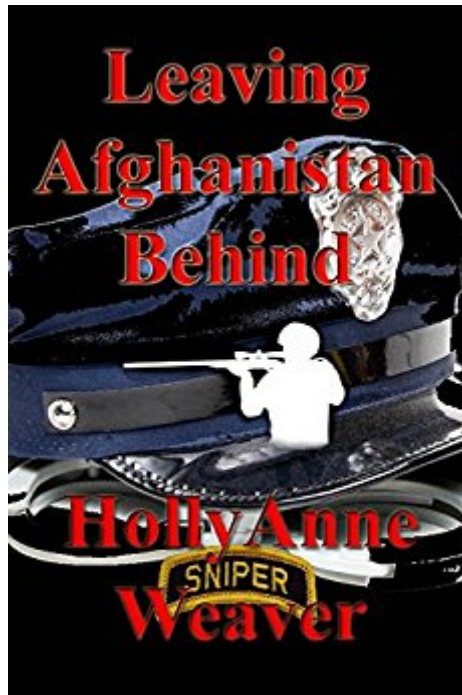




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Synopsis

Amelia Gittens, a black female, has the distinct honor of being the first female to be admitted to the US Army's elite group of snipers, fighting in Afghanistan. It doesn't come without its price, though, as she comes back as so many veterans do with post-traumatic stress syndrome complete with major flashbacks. Working as a New York City police officer, she is involved with a suspect shooting. Unfortunately for her, it is the cousin of a major international drug dealer who seeks revenge on her and her partner, as well as the departmental psychiatrist. Amelia responds the only way she knows how, falling back upon her military training to keep her ward safe while the situation is being resolved. The whole while, she is battling her own inner demons, fighting with herself to keep them at bay, nearly tearing herself apart.

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Customer Reviews

What an exciting Debut Book for this imaginative writer. If you have ever been in the military this is a must read. If you haven't been in the service reading this book will give you additional

understanding about what war really is and how difficult it is for those who survive the struggle. This is a story written by someone who has served her country well and now is devoting her life to the protection of New York citizens as an NYPD Officer. During the course of working the streets she shoots a suspect and kills him and all hell breaks out. Having a severe case of PTSD doesn't help as she finds it necessary to once again go into that mode of protecting her loved ones. If you like suspense and excitement this is a MUST READ!

Having PTSD, although not from my military service back during the cold war, this book hit very close to home with its address to the subject. I loved the book and its story as well, though, and thought the characters were very interesting, with the two main characters playing well off one another. It was quickly understood that the two women developed more than a strictly professional relationship, but was it more than a friendship? It had you wondering the whole time! It was a very fast-paced book, never taking more of a breather than a couple of pages before being off and running again. I look forward to reading Ms. Weaver's other works.

If you are wondering what it's like to be a woman war vet returning to normal society, this is the book to read. Very powerful. There is a good balance between the horrors of war and the love between women.

This book was so right on about someone with PTSD. Enjoyed every second of this book. Will definitely be reading more of HollyAnne Weaver,

well worth the read. Great story line with strong characters.

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