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Former beauty queen Becky Holmes and her baby are on the run from her dangerous ex. With her dreams of love and marriage destroyed, she'll do anything to protect her child...even agree to hide out in her boss's cousin's house while he's away.

Wealthy, sexy, and emotionally haunted Logan Knight needs a temporary wife to get his land, per his dad's rules. No wife, no inheritance. But when that wife lands on his doorstep and comes with a baby, his darkest memories are triggered. He tries to keep his distance, but his efforts are shattered when he starts to have real feelings for his fake wife and child.

Just as Logan begins to think he may have a future with Becky, his attempt to have it all backfires into a betrayal that forces Becky into a heart-wrenching choice no woman should ever have to make.

## **Her Temporary Hero Details**

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### Silver James says

A cowboy marine, a woman in jeopardy and a baby. What's not to love?!?! I've been waiting for this book ever since I finished Ms. Apodaca's THE BABY BARGAIN. Logan Knight, former marine, has abandonment issues and now, the one place where he goes for solace is about to be ripped out from under him by his controlling father. Suffering from combat-related PTSD, Logan will do whatever he needs to to keep the land that keeps him centered. Heir-apparent to the Knight family and their impressive Texas ranch, Logan only wants to build a camp for wounded warriors.

Becky Holmes was a beauty queen who used her scholarship money to get a college degree and start nursing school. One lapse of judgement left her unmarried, pregnant, and then involved in a hit-and-run with the baby daddy driving--who then beat her. He's out of prison and is now coming after her baby. Becky is as emotionally fragile as Logan and when they find each other, they plan to keep the relationship temporary.

Logan needs a wife to get the land he wants from his father. Becky needs protection from Sophie's psychopath of a father. It's a win-win, right? Where's the fun in that?!? The author thoughtfully addresses the issue of PTSD and treatment of returning veterans. She weaves a love story about two damaged people learning to love each other and becoming stronger as a result.

Love the book, the characters, and the author!

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### Kathie (katmom) says

#### Happy Release Day!

I enjoyed this one. The trope of the good girl with a baby who both need protection is one that I like. Becky's ex-boyfriend is such a jerk, and scary, too. He's the kind of character that you really want to see HURT. Thankfully, Logan seems like the right guy to do it. What with his military and body guard background. That is, once he gets over the shock of finding Becky, the baby, and their silly little dog, Jiggy, in his home.

She needs a safe place to be and he needs a wife so he can get the land that he loves. Her boss, and his cousin, thinks they might be good for each other. They certainly have some HEAT between them.

There are lots of secondary characters that add a nice depth to this one. I did have a quibble with the fact that three month old baby seemed more like a five month old, but that's a small thing. Kind of odd, actually as the next book I read had the same issue! Three month olds don't notice the world nearly as much as this one did. But still, this was fun. There's a scene where Becky puts on her "beauty queen" persona, much like someone putting on a mask, and it blows Logan's socks off. Yes, that was fun!

I will definitely be watching for more from Ms. Apodaca!

Thank you, Entangled and Jennifer Apodaca, for the opportunity to read Her Temporary Hero.

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## Darcy says

I really liked this one. Becky and Logan so needed each other, they just didn't know it. Being stuck in their agreement gave them the time they needed to get to know each other and to realize the other was perfect for them. I liked that Logan was able to let Becky see his PTSD and help him and that Becky was able to let Logan help her with Sophie. The scenes with Logan and Sophie were great, so tentative at first, but as time went on Sophie seemed to heal Logan's past.

I loved how this one ended, loved that both were willing to give up what they wanted to secure things for the other. Yet in the end it didn't matter, they got it all.

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## Claire Robinson says

3.5 - "No one's ever loved me enough to stay." Stars!

The Once A Marine series is definitely improving with each book, I really enjoyed Adam and Meg's book (The Baby Bargain), but Logan and Becky's story was even better. Jennifer Apodaca, has once again combined just the right amount of romance, drama and suspense into the book to keep you reading until the end.

**"Most people who see combat come home with scars. Everyone deals with it differently."**

Logan Knight is struggling to deal with the scars that he has returned with, plagued with nightmares and struggling with P.T.S.D, all he wants to do is set up his ranch as a safe place for other veterans to spend time at, and to be able to convalesce and receive the best help and support they can for their issues. Two things are standing in his way – his father and his lack of a wife.

Becky Holmes is in trouble, caring for a young baby is struggle enough, but she's recently lost her mother to cancer, and her ex has just been released from prison. His time spent behind bars because she called the cops on him, and refused to take the blame for the hit and run accident he drove away from whilst she was in the car.

Logan and his family name offer her the protection and the stability she needs in order to fight a custody battle for her daughter. The daughter her ex never wanted, but is now using as his way to punish her for sending him to jail. A deal is struck, a contract is signed, and they agree to a mutually beneficial marriage, Logan gets his ranch, and Becky keeps custody of baby Sophie as well as having the powerful Knight Family as her allies.

I loved the sentiment between Logan and Becky in this book, they are emotionally scarred from things that have happened in their past, they are wary of each other initially and the emotions they are feeling, even though the chemistry is there, neither wants to rush headlong into something that they don't quite understand themselves.

**Becky – "When you touch me, I feel safe, sexy and whole."**

**Logan – “When I touch you, it all gets easier. Kissing you today was like that blanket – warm, soft and giving me a little protection.”**

The bravery displayed by both of them in different ways, to push past their long held and deeply-rooted fears, so they are able to embrace something new together, in spite of the odds, interfering families and demented exes makes for a really enjoyable and heart-warming story.

**She had the power to shove back the ugliness inside of him, the memories and the failures that shadowed his soul.**

Although there isn't really anything new offered up in the way of storyline, this second book in the Once A Marine Series, offers us another extremely hot leading man, a likeable, strong and sassy heroine, mix that with a little bit of suspense, a whole lot of sexy and you are onto a winner, with a well written and easy to absorb book. I look forward to reading more books in this series in the future.

**”You’re turning me and my world inside out. You make me want to become more than your temporary husband.”**

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### **Nicola says**

I am a sucker for a marine. I am also a sucker for a cowboy. So when I discovered that our hero was an ex-marine turned cowboy...

The second book in the *Once A Marine* series was a delight. From the moment I picked it up I was captivated, because aside of a hot marine-slash-cowboy to sigh over, it has a heartwarming touching storyline that encompasses fear, fight and determination from both our leading lady and gent. And Logan Knight is a gent; a brooding, protective gent with a wonderful albeit tormented heart. I admired Becky as despite her personal tragedy and her own fears, she's a strong, caring and selfless lady who will do anything to keep her daughter safe from her violent ex. With Logan being from a wealthy powerful family and being in the position to help her and her baby girl, Sophie, it had a little of a Cinderella feel to it.

Passionate and intimate, their journey is one of trust and understanding and with a lovely chemistry was filled with many touching moments combined with those that pulled on the heartstrings. Logan's interactions with Sophie brought the sighs and his dirty talk brought the swoons. He truly was a hero to fall in love with.

***“Swear to God, you walk like that again in that short skirt, and I’m going to drag you into Mac’s office, lock the door, bend you over a table and rip your panties off. Again. Christ, I’m rock hard for you.”***

Granted it didn't hold any huge surprises but it was a lose-yourself sexy romance. The Knight's were valuable secondary characters and along with those from the previous book (*The Baby Bargain*), it's opened the door for more. If you're after a gentle but very sexy hero, a loveable lady and a family-feel contemporary

romance, then this is exactly that.

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## **Jonetta says**

*Originally posted on The Book Nympho*

### **Quick summary**

Becky Holmes is struggling to make ends meet for her and her 3-month old daughter, Sophie, but she's pulling it off. That is until her abusive ex-boyfriend (and the baby's father) gets an early release from prison and threatens her safety and plans to get custody of the child he doesn't even want. Her boss provides her a temporary place to stay in her cousin's cabin. See, Logan Knight is supposed to be out of town for awhile but, as luck will have it, returns that same night.

### **The issues**

Logan is a former Marine suffering from PTSD as a result of his last mission in Afghanistan. He's working for a private security firm, Once a Marine, and is looking to create a refuge on his portion of the family's Texas ranch for other veterans who are suffering from the same syndrome. Unfortunately, his father made him sign an agreement years ago that returns the land to him if Logan isn't married by age 30, which will be in the next three months. He needs a temporary wife and Becky needs a temporary husband to maintain custody and have a safe place to live.

### **What I liked**

In spite of her circumstances, Becky was resourceful, never giving in nor looking for a handout. She and Logan fit well, not just because of the outside demands bringing them together. While the story tips more on the romance scale, it still had enough suspense to fit the genre, especially with the threat always being in the background. I loved their romance and how Logan's PTSD issues were portrayed, nothing over the top but a realistic view of how debilitating the syndrome can be. He's an honorable man, trying to do the right thing in spite of his issues.

### **The bottom line**

I enjoyed the story for its likable characters, sweet romance and underlying suspense. Though it's part of a series, it really can be read as a standalone as the characters from the previous story don't have substantive roles in this one.

(I received an ARC from NetGalley in exchange for an honest review)

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## **Rachel says**

[ No (hide spoiler) ]

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## Victoria says

**4.0 RATING-** When I saw Her Temporary Hero on sale and read the blurb, I snagged it up. I can't resist a damsel in distress story line! The writing was good and the sweet parts were evened out with the a few nicely done steamy parts. Nothing over the top but appropriate for the type of book this is. The story kept me interested from beginning to end and overall, I was happy I picked this up. I actually went back and snagged the first title in the Once a Marine series while it was on sale too!

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## Nina says

I have been waiting for quite some time for the second installment of Jennifer Apocada's Once a Marine series to release. When I saw Her Temporary Hero on Netgalley I jumped for joy. I read The Baby Bargain more than a year ago and I immediately knew that this was going to be a series I was going to be following.

One year later and Her Temporary Hero is finally out! Woo hoo!

Although I didn't really enjoy the wait (as I'm impatient) it was well worth it. Logan was oh so sweet and sexy. He was a gentleman to the core and I loved him for that. Becky was also a heroine I adored. She got caught up in a bad situation and I admired her for being strong despite her circumstances and a jerk of an ex-boyfriend.

Logan and Becky together produced many sizzling moments and the chemistry between the two was well written. I also liked the ensemble of characters that the author included in Her Temporary Hero. I hope Pam (Logan's sister) will get her own story. I think she definitely deserves her own hero as well ;)

Her Temporary Hero was a sweet and sexy contemporary romance with bits of angst thrown in. I really enjoyed reading this story and I think fans of contemporary romance will find this to their liking as well.

\*I received an e-ARC from the publisher via Netgalley for an honest review.

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## CC says

i liked this story a lot more than I expected. I liked the plot, the hero and heroine. Of course I loved baby Sophie and Jiggy. Becky was so likable. I normally do not warm up to heroines, especially ones who are so saintly. But dissing Becky would be like kicking a puppy. She was sweet, kind, hard working, a good mother. And she could be fierce when required. I was impressed. Her baby Sophie was 3months old and absolutely adorable.

Sophie's father was a rich murdering SOB (her college boyfriend). He beat her up the night she told him she was pregnant - after he ran someone over with his car. Managed to get out of jail and comes back for Becky and Sophie. Enter Logan. A damaged, emotionally unavailable veteran with PTSD and a deep abiding fear of children. What better set up could you ask for? Of course before the end he screws up and she is too nice to really make him pay. But it worked and he certainly tried to grovel.

It was a sweet story. Steamy too. The baby was too cute. I recommend if you are looking for a light read that

actually has a story to it.

Safety Gang spoilers  
(view spoiler)

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## NMmomof4 says

### 3.5 Stars

**Overall Opinion:** This was a sweet read. I really like the single parent theme, so I was happy to jump right into this one. I wanted more interaction between the H and the baby, but I understand that it is hard for an author to write those connections when it's a baby (I love it when it's a young child like a toddler or older). PTSD is a major problem that our society faces, so I think this would appeal to many people. I usually like to be warned that this deals with something like ptsd before reading (love those spoilers!), so if you're like me - - there are mild ptsd moments with some mentions of the H's traumatizing military past, but there are no major flashbacks with graphic details with H becoming belligerent. I also felt like the very ending wasn't all that believable, and I felt like it was written that way to tie everything up with a pretty little bow and not for realistic purposes (See "closure" section below for spoiler that explains this further).

**Brief Summary of the Storyline:** This is Becky and Logan's story. Becky is a struggling single mom that has a dangerous ex that just got out of jail and is threatening her. She turns to her boss and ends up staying at her boss' cousin's house. Logan is shocked to find the mom, baby girl, and dog in his home when he arrives late at night, but learns that his cousin allowed it and she actually proposes that this woman is the solution to his problem. Logan needs a wife because of a contract he signed with his dad that he'd be married by his 30th birthday in order to inherit a large chunk of property. He needs this property to build his dream retreat for military personnel suffering from ptsd (which is something that he suffers from from his own military service). They get into a contractual marriage, and of course it doesn't stay platonic and deeper feelings develop. There is some ex drama, some sexy times, some family drama, and some sweet times...and the couple finally get their HEA ending.

**POV:** This alternated between focusing on Becky and Logan in 3rd person narrative.

**Overall Pace of Story:** Good. I think it flowed well, and I didn't feel the need to skim at any point.

**Instalove:** No. I felt like there was adequate relationship development going on.

**H rating:** 3 stars. Logan. I liked him, but had some issues with him not communicating his feelings with the h.

**h rating:** 4 stars. Becky. I liked how she cared for her daughter, was a hard worker, and was upfront about her feelings.

**Sadness level:** Low. I didn't need any tissues.

**Heat level:** Moderate. They have some good chemistry. The scenes were decent, but not that many (which can be a good thing).

**Descriptive sex:** Yes.

**Safe sex:** Yes. Mentions of condom use and birth control.

**OW/OM drama:** Yes (view spoiler)

**Sex scene with OW or OM:** No

**Cheating:** (view spoiler)

**Possible Triggers:** (view spoiler)

**Closure:** This had some decent closure at the end, and I would call it a HEA ending. I did feel like some parts of it were unbelievable...(view spoiler)

**How I got it:** I paid the \$2.99 on Amazon

**Safety:** Safe with exception  
(view spoiler)

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## Soonya says

[ However, I didn't like how he was about the whole Kendra situation. It was his ex and I understand that they were childhood friends, so his family sort of loves her. But if your wife is uncomfortable that your ex came to your house, make sure the ex is out of the house. I'm

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## Anita says

I really like this series and this author. I'm really picky about the romance genre books I read. Don't tolerate angst, hate whiney, and just too cute can take a hike. My heroines have to be something other than a victim too. Humor and a touch of suspense get bonus point from me.

Becky Holmes made a mistake a lot of girls do - she got pregnant by the wrong guy. This story could have taken a turn into angstville, but it didn't. She found out real quick that the sperm donor was a real douche helped put him behind bars where he belonged. She was shocked when he showed up after serving barely five months of his sentence and threatened her and her baby sending them on the run with no resources. Her boss steps up and offers to let her stay at her cousins ranch. It turns out that this could be a mutually beneficial arrangement for both parties.

Logan Knight is a former Marine who suffers from PTSD. He is also hot and wealthy, but with a lot of

baggage of his own. His father has him in a bind and the only way out is for Logan to get married. Logan needs a temporary wife and Becky needs a temporary hero: win-win. Well, until their real feelings get involved.

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**(Tori-Smexybooks) smexys\_sidekick says**

Everyone wants a hero in their lives but Becky never thought she would actually find one. Marriage of convenience is a favorite trope of mine and Her Temporary Hero brings it to the table with a wealthy sexy war hero suffering from PTSD and an overbearing father together with a young beautiful single mother who is running from an insane ex boyfriend. A sweet and emotional love story that teaches two people that letting go of the past can open the door to a wonderful future. A fairy tale like steamy journey from lust to love with a nice balance of conflict made this an engaging story.

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**Jamie C says**

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Re-read : March 2017

5 stars both reviews!!

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