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You know those fights you have in high school with your sweetheart? The earth shattering variety that changes everything? I instigated one, and it started me on a course that would change the rest of my life.

After seeing Brody with so many girls, I turned to Sebastian --the new kid in town-- to help me forget. When he enlisted after graduation, I married him. Then one day a knock on the door changed my world.

I stayed in that little Army town in Alaska for five more years, sleeping in our bed, washing our dishes in the same house that he last walked out of, until my gran called me home.

Imagine my surprise when the first thing I see after stepping out of my minivan, is Brody Denton.

## **Our Chance Details**

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## From Reader Review Our Chance for online ebook

### Taisheena Rayne says

I want to move to Los Rancheros. (Is it a real place?) I love the way the story telling of Brandace pulls you in so deeply it feels real.

I love this story of high school sweet hearts being neighbors when they get older. I don't want to spoil the book so...

I enjoy everything Ms. Morrow writes. She is fantastic and lets me get immersed in another world so easily I am hooked. Her Romance is deep felt and makes my heart ache, race, beat and stop.

I was gifted this book in exchange for an honest review.

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### Jamie says

#### Such and Amzing Story

Young Love that is what Brody and Juliet had, but with that and being young adults fears raise and regret happens. With the mistakes Jules made she Meets Sebastian things happen and they are married and have a family. After getting that hated knock on your door stating your Husband will not being coming home, what is Jules to do. She does what she can to take care of her family. When she gets a call from home that with her Grandma passing she has left her home and land to her. Starting over for Jules and her kids, back to her hometown she never thought she would go back to after the mistakes she has done to Brody. Brody has only every really loved his Jules, she was his beginning, his present and his everything, he never knew just how much that statement was till the day she came home. Brody will move heaven and earth to make Juliet his forever. Can Jules forgive herself for all the wrong she did that took her away from her home and the boy now man that still holds her heart in his hands, can she stop feeling guilty for still loving Brody when she still loves her late husband. Will Jules be able to bring her little Family and Brody together as one. At the end of this book the author leads us to believe we may get more. I sure hope so.

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### Amanda says

4.5 star review....

If you haven't read any of the Los Rancheros series for Brandace Morrow yet (which is a HUGE mistake read them NOW), do not worry. This book can definitely be read as a STANDALONE NOVELLA! But if you have read the previous books, I will say this is a "normal" couple. No rock stars, famous couples, etc. just real life people. And I honestly loved it, yes there is the instant love after so long, but the more you read the more you understand it was always Jules and Brody who were meant to be.

"We feel. And we don't have to say it, we never have. We feel with fingertips and mouths, but we also feel with eyes and hearts."

Jules and Brody have been friends since the moment they were born. Their mothers are best friends and everyone always thought they would end up together. EVERYONE just knew they were meant to be. But life happened, teenage years changed things, and while dating in high school things seemed to be changing so Jules decided they needed to take a break for college....and that is where there story changed. Jules met Sebastian in college and got pregnant and married. Breaking any chance she had of being with Brody. Sebastian joined the army and thus the life of deployments, raising your kids, and being a family began. But the dreaded knock on the door changed Jules life. After staying for 5 years after the news of Sebastian's passing to keep the kids in the home they knew, she has now decided to go "home" where her family can help her. But the moment they arrive she sees Brody...

"It's always been you and that boy. You made a bittersweet mistake, that got you a loving husband and three beautiful children. That wasn't your time, then. Now is your time. Don't waste it."

Everyone is convinced this is their second chance. But Brody has a girlfriend and she has the ghost of her husband keeping her from what she knows was always meant to be. My heart broke for Brody so many times. But I understood Jules hesitation to move on with her life. What is right for her kids? Is their attraction enough to make a life? Is it okay to jump back into a relationship with Brody? Everything has changed now it has been 11 years people change. But why does life seem so right when she is with Brody?

"Why are you crying, my girl?" he asks quietly.

"We've always belonged to each other, even when we were with other people. It just wasn't our time yet."

There is no way to say it other than Brody and Jules are right for each other. The journey hasn't been easy, but the ending is beautiful (oh that epilogue)! The kids are fantastic, and their mothers are just too funny. AND...the idea that there will be more someday makes me VERY happy! I love this couple and look forward to more of their story in the future.

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## **M.L. says**

Our Chance is another wonderful STANDALONE story by Brandace Morrow.

First off, let me say that anything Brandace writes, I WILL READ. She has become one of the few authors that I don't even read the synopsis before I jump right into one of her stories. She's just that talented and freaking awesome.

Now, to the story. I love, love, loved me some Jules and Brody—from the cover to the very last page. These two characters are relatable—I remember those high school fights and those fights Brandace speaks about in the story. Unfortunately, it was one of those fights that pulled Jules and Brody apart, but that's the beauty of life. Jules and Brody went on and experienced a life that otherwise would not have been lived. They grew up, matured, and realized the importance of true love. A love that holds true despite all the pesky fights and obstacles that life throws at you.

Jules went away and lived her life—she married, had children and was happy, until tragedy struck. The years passed and now she's back home to where it all started, and the first person she sees is Brody. Each has their own life and plans that don't include the other, but sometimes, you can't fight fate. And, with these two, fate wants them together.

Our Chance is a short and beautiful read that you will LOVE! It will leave you with a wonderful feeling and

smiling, and to me, those are the best stories. The best part, I think there will be more Jules and Brody later on—yay!!!

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### **Jessica says**

“We’ve always belonged to each other, even when we were with other people. It just wasn’t our time yet.”

I absolutely loved this book, it was sweet and endearing with a little touch of steam thrown in here and there. You don’t often experience a love like Brody and Juliet but then to have a second chance at it when you thought that love would only ever exist in your past it solidifies the true meaning of soulmates.

Juliet is once again starting a new life even though it kinda seems like she’s done that repeatedly over the last 11 years. This time she is going back to where it all began and finally returning home after running from this very place so many years before. But she is not the same Juliet that ran off without ever looking back, now she is a widow with three children to care for and an enormous amount of emotional baggage. She struggles with uprooting her kids and also with the guilt of returning to the place that holds all of her happiness but also remembering the reasons and events leading up to her leaving it all behind.

“Yes, I want your love, and you give me more pleasure than I can stand. You make me feel beautiful.”

Then you have Brody who has consciously and unconsciously loved Juliet throughout his whole life. It seems as if he has put his life in a holding pattern without even realizing it when he learns she has been widowed. Sure enough his “waiting game” pays off when she returns home and in that moment he knows that she will always be the one for him, but he can’t rush things because she is not the same girl he loved so many years ago.

“You’re my end, Juliet. You’re it. Yes, I have loved after you, and I may well have to love again. But I’ve loved you my whole life, and all of the times in between. Even when I didn’t want to.”

This is the first book in what the author appears to be making into a series. I love that it was complete but at the same time left you with a few subtle questions that you want answers to but not a cliffhanger. I loved the transition from friends to lovers again and also incorporating the children into their relationship. Brody adapted so well to the kids and it really melted my heart that he put their feeling first and was so willing to do anything to help ease them into all the changes happening in their young lives. I highly recommend this book and can’t wait to read then next one to find out where she takes the story next.

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### **Paula Phillips says**

One of the newest authors that I have discovered lately and enjoyed has been Brandace Morrow but I have to admit her latest book "Our Chance" she really outdid herself as this was such an amazing read and a really good look at second chance love for two people that really should have been together in the first place. Jules and Brody grew up together and were the best of friends, that was until they reached their last year of high school and Jules met Sebastian and fell pregnant with his child, Brody and Jules had a massive falling out and Jules ran off to live with Sebastian. What followed though was two more children and a life as an Army Wife and living on bases. During this time, Jules decided to put her love of cooking and everyday life into practice and became a vlogger - this took off and she started to rake in lots of freebies and some good money or whack as her five year old son Jet liked to call it. When her husband dies overseas, Jules sees this as a life

change and heads to her hometown where her Grandmother has left her, her home on the ranch. The ranch happens to be part of Los Rancheros where Sadie aka Popper's band was based from the previous books. Arriving with her three kids in tow, Jules arrives home to find none other than Brody working away as the farmhand her Grandmother had hired. During this time, we discover more about Brody and Jules's past and read as they overcome all the obstacles in their way to finally get their long overdue chance at happiness as this time there is no-one standing in their way.

Our Chance is the perfect recipe for happiness book to read as gives readers hope that if you need one, you can always get a second chance at love and happiness.

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## **Mignon Mykel says**

Received a review copy in exchange for an honest review; original post will be on blog 5/22:  
<http://mnonmkreviews.blogspot.com/20...>

Welcome back to Los Rancheros -- but this time, instead of rockstars and media people, we have two normal individuals.

Can I remind you how much I loved Sadie and Finn? Because I really, really loved them. I wasn't sure that I would love another Brandace Morrow coupling but my goodness gracious, my heart is so full for Brody and Jules.

Brody and Jules have been friends since the womb. Their mothers were best friends and vowed to name their children after Shakespeare characters -- and thus came about Juliet and Brody Romeo. Their mothers truly believed these two would be together forever. When dating in high school, Jules decided they needed to take a break before college and in tears and yelling, they agreed to see other people.

...then Jules ended up pregnant and moved away with Sebastian. Sebastian went into the Army and Jules entered a world of deployment and raising her children along. When she became the recipient of that terrible knock on the door, she decided to stay in Alaska because it was the only home her children knew.

Now it's been five years and she's going back home. The first non-family member she sees is Brody, and right away you can't help but feel for the man.

Brody and Jules's first conversation, free of an audience? My goodness gracious, my heart broke for the man. Brody still harbors hard feelings towards Jules for her decisions and for leaving him, but the two of them fall back into their comfortable selves rather quickly.

There were parts that should have deemed this title a 4.5 on my rating scale, things such as:

-Brody and Jules fell back into one another quickly

-He was always around and she didn't question it right away

-...again, they fell back into one another quickly: eleven years is a long time and things/people change, so it shouldn't have been so seamless...

...but I was so engrossed in the emotion and the love, Brody's willingness to be there for her kids... I just loved Brody and Jules. Just loved them. And the epilogue? My goodness, Brody sure could evoke the tears in me.

This book could easily stand alone -- no need for extra parts. But the fact that Brandace ends it with "The End.... Maybe" and hints towards another part in Brody and Jules's life made me go all fan-girl (no pun).

This is a coupling that I want to see again and again, and was rather sad that their's was a story told in only 118 pages.

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### **books are love says**

This is about second chances at love and with the one you are meant to be. Jules made a mistake in high school and in this mistake she ran away from everything. Her fear took over and she ran. Out of this though she had a loving husband and three children. Now eleven years later she is widowed and heading home. She runs a blog that her family is a part of and they are blogging the whole way back to Los Rancheros where they will stay at the farm Jules's grandmother left her. What she didn't expect when she got there was to see the man she broke the heart of waiting for her and at the farm.

Brody the man she hurt over eleven years ago is sweet and sexy. He is a little dominating but I think this is because of fear. Fear she is going to walk away and the fact that since Jule's husband passed away he has put his life on hold and waited. Waited for her to come home. Waited for his soul mate. That isn't to say he didn't move on in those eleven years. He did. He let go because he thought he would never see her again. Led a interesting life as well. Than fate intervened and Brody came back. Now he waits.

Jules pushes him aside at first. Saying guilt over having someone else in her heart beside her husband. Than her children. What I didn't appreciate is the way at first she was with him. She gave him hope, than treated him rudely and than she got indignant because he had a girlfriend and it wasn't her. He was not supposed to live except for her. That was all kinds of wrong. I know you are confused but really don't take it out on the nice man who is helping you and is there for you.

When they finally do come together it is sweet and romantic. He takes care of her and gets to know her children. They get to know each other again and he is always there for her. He is there for her children as well. And those kids are a hoot.

The attraction is through the roof and felt in every action and reaction they have towards one another. He is patient and kind and she is all over the place. As Jules navigates her heart, Brody waits and is a steady force in her life.

This is the wonderfully written, sweet at times very sexy and also frustrating (because of the way Jules is towards Brody), story of how Brody and Jules have a second change to be together, how Jules works thourgh her heart, they come together and become a family.

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### **Book Fancy says**

An ARC provided in exchange for an honest review.

I have read the other books in the Los Rancheros series and loved them, so of course I couldn't wait to read this one! You do not have to read them before reading this one, however, they are great books so I do recommend them!

This is a second chance romance that I devoured quite quickly! Brody and Jules have been separated for years and the first time they see each other again...instant sparks fly! Jules is eccentric and just a little bit crazy, but I loved that! Brody is a sexy sweetheart and I loved them together! They balanced each other out

just perfectly!

Definitely check out Brandace Morrow's books! Love her writing style!

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### **Book Hangover Page says**

Brandace Morrow has yet to disappoint me! Her writing is like a song to my soul. On a day when I am stressed out and just want to take a breather I read. What is the first thing I grab you say? It's usually a Brandace Morrow book, and that includes Our Chance by her. Especially this weekend when we need to remember why we are walking around this beautiful country free and able to do what we want. Brandace tells a beautiful story about how some gave all for that freedom.

Not only does she tell this story with her heart open and bleeding she herself is living with a hero. I know that she struggled with this story and if it should be released...not only am I glad she told this story I think she couldn't have written a better love story.

The story of Jules and Brody might be a short one but you fall in love with the characters quickly and you don't want to let them go! Not only does the end leave you in a blubbing mess of happy tears but when you see the next page you hope and pray that Brandace gets back into the writing cave!!

Thank you Brandace for bringing us this beautiful story, and unleashing your talent with pen to paper for the whole world to see!

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### **Jay Butler says**

#### **THANK YOU!**

I have read all four books of this series in just about as many days. Fate's Mistake was actually the first one I read & WOW! That was such a powerful read! However this review is about Our Chance. Although I wish there was more, I not only loved this story for the sweetness of it in its entirety - I loved this book for the perspective of the sacrifices our military families make everyday. Never do I take that lightly, but Mrs. Morrow added elements that I've never thought of - that I think most non-military people have ever thought of. So, THANK YOU Mrs. Morrow not only for the great reads, but for EVERY SACRIFICE you & your family have made for my freedom.

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### **Lustful Literature says**

#### **\*\*MEGAN'S REVIEW\*\***

I normally don't fall hard for 2nd chance stories. But every now and then one will come along and I just have to read it. That happened with Our Chance. I saw the so pretty cover and the blurb told me what I need to know- I had to read it. I also fell hard for another book by this author.

What I should have paid attention to was the length. I didn't know this was a short read until I noticed almost an hour into it I was at the 50% mark. Throughout my reading time I did think more than once; man, this all seems to be real quick for falling back into the old times. It was like back to back boom. You get a feel rather soon on how things will play out. You learn the history in mere pages and all of a sudden a relationship has formed. For me, a novella or a short story is a very hard reading win in my book. For the reason above, they

are normally quick to the good stuff and quick on the resolve and the end.

*“What am I suppose to do? Maggie was enough for me a couple of days ago.”*

Oh how I wish this was a full novel. I wanted to feel the pull between these two childhood sweet hearts. I loved when they were on the page together how they reacted to one another. But, having so much rushed I didn't get to feel the overtly fall that I love so much when reading.

*“Then why did you come back?”*

*“I got out as soon as I could after I heart about him. I came back here. I've been waiting, and being pissed as hell I was waiting. Waiting and trying to move on at the same time.”*

The obvious connection they had was pleasing to read but still at the end I felt like I really missed this great love story by not having it play out in a normal time span. But I know many readers who love these quick love stories and for a busy reader or someone who really likes this type then you are in for a real treat!

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## **Kim says**

It's been a while but I remember really liking the first two books in this series, especially the second one. I skipped the ones about the young girl because she didn't interest me, at all.

Sadly since this one was so short and fast paced, it didn't focus nearly enough on the couple. There was so much about the move, the farm, the family, and the kids....I was annoyed because I wanted to see them develop for their second chance. I ended up skimming trying to get to adult conversations which were few and far between, especially since Brody was the only one who truly acted like an adult....I liked them and their story wasn't bad even though it was so fast. But everything else that was in this short read annoyed me because it was a short read and I didn't want to read about it. I wanted Brody and Juliet.

So while it wasn't bad by any means, it just didn't do anything for me. :-(  

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## **Tonya says**

Review from Abibliophobia Anonymous Book Reviews

When I signed up to review this book, I hadn't realized it was book 4 in a series. The synopsis is what grabbed me. I'm a military wife myself, so a sucker for this type of book. This is the first book by Brandace Morrow that I have read. I do plan on reading the other 3 in this series as soon as I get some time too. I thought it was a good book about getting a second chance with your first love.

Jules and Brody were high school sweethearts and each others first love. Until Jules had a huge freakout and said some things. Even though they knew they would end up together after high school, it didn't quiet work out that way for them.

Jules ended up pregnant and married living in Alaska with the new bad boy in their town and school, Sebastian. He gave her three beautiful kids. But they were apart more than together. That's the life of the

military. But tragedy strikes and an IED takes Sebastian away forever. She stays in Alaska for almost 6 years after he's gone. But when her grandma dies and leaves Jules her farm. She knows it's time to go home.

Brody is there. He's basically been waiting for Jules.

"You're my end, Juliet. You're it. Yes, I have loved after you, and I may well have to love again. But I've loved you my whole life, and all of the times in between. Even when I thought I didn't. Even when I didn't want to."

I did enjoy this book, it was a quick read for me. There was a little conflict with them getting together. Mostly Jules' guilt. I'm odd, I like more conflict. I was left wondering what Brody did to Marshall's dad and what happened with Brody's sister though.

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## **The Smutbrarians says**

Panty Scorching-4

Storyline-4.5

Angst- 3

Tissues-2

Value-5

Overall Rating- 4.5

Kindle eARC

Reviewed by: Christina

Juliet is a widowed military wife with three children ranging from 10-5 years old. Her grandmother recently passed away leaving her home to Juliet. At first Juliet wasn't sure what to do with the home, sell it or move back to the place she left a little over eleven years ago. So many memories are attached to her home town and Juliet doesn't know if she is ready to face what she left behind.

Deciding the best thing for her children and herself is to move back home, Juliet packs up their home in Alaska and starts the truck to California. As excited as Juliet is to see how much her hometown has changed and grown she is really only worried about one man, Brody. Brody and Juliet were each others firsts in everything growing up. Everyone thought that they would end up having a happily ever after with one another. One night, and one fight changed everything.

Now that Juliet is back can Juliet and Brody stay away from one another? Or will a second chance at love come their way?

"It's always been you and that boy. You made a bittersweet mistake that got you a loving husband and three beautiful children. That wasn't your time, then. Now is your time. Don't waste it."

Our Chance was a fantastic second chance romance. I loved Juliet, I could feel the struggles she had as a mother and a widow about letting Brody into her children's lives as well as hers. I feel Brandace did an amazing job depicting the struggles of a Military wife, and how to live life again after losing a spouse. Juliet struggles with holding on to her late husband and moving on and being able to love another man again.

"He opens his mouth as I lean into him and my eyes close at the taste. Brody tastes like home, and danger, and love. I feel like my shattered heart that was so painful for so long, fits back together for the first time in years."

I would recommend Our Chance to anyone looking for a quick heartfelt read. I was sucked in from page one, and I devoured the whole book within a few short hours. The characters are very compelling and I couldn't help but love them. There is so much longing and passion between Brody and Juliet you can feel it in each page.

“My words are cut off as a blur pushes me against the counter and grips my hair tight. I gasp and get a tongue in my mouth. I know it's Brody from his smell and taste. He's still the same, too. Wool, oil, and man.”

Our Chance is another amazing read added to the Los Ranchos series. I say series b/c that is what it is BUT each book can be read as a standalone, and I love that. I can't wait to see what Brandace has in store for us next.

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