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From Reader Review Shadows of the Past for online ebook

Jalynn Patterson says

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About the Author:

Patricia Bradley's manuscript for Shadows of the Past was a finalist for the 2012 Genesis Award, winner of a 2012 Daphne du Maurier award (1st place, Inspirational), and winner of a 2012 Touched by Love award (1st place, Contemporary). She is a published short story writer and is cofounder of Aiming for Healthy Families, Inc. When she's not writing or speaking, she can be found making beautiful clay pots and jewelry. She is a member of American Christian Fiction Writers and Romance Writers of America and makes her home in Mississippi. Learn more at www.ptbradley.com.

My Review:

Taylor's father has been missing for years and she is determined to find him. But it seems the closer and closer she gets to find out what made him disappear, she is knocked farther and farther from the truth. Though she has the ability to find him, she maybe in more trouble than she knows. Her job involves solving different crimes, why can't she solve this one? What's the difference?

Nick's wife having passed away a few years ago, Nick busies himself with writing mystery novels but even that is losing his interest. He feels he is failing at life and turns for his brother for help. Finding his brother missing, he begins searching for his brother but has no luck. He finds many clues but is never able to solve the mystery behind his brother's disappearance. Then he meets Taylor, a pretty woman who is also in search of someone, her father. How Taylor came to find him is unknown, but what he does know is she brought trouble along with her. But who knows maybe she'll be able to help solve his mystery too.

****Disclosure**** This book was sent to me free of charge for my honest review from Revell.

Teya Peck says

Whoa! This was incredible. I love profiling and this was an awesome clean mystery. It had even me second guessing myself. . . A little. So good. Intense. She did her homework. I can't wait for more from this author. Recommended. Well done.

Ibjoy1953 Hannabass says

MY THOUGHTS ON THIS BOOK

Looking for her father ends up landing Taylor Martin into situations that she never expected. Taylor couldn't find closure about her father walking out on his family until she had a chance to ask him why. But someone is trying to stop Taylor from finding her dad. And meeting Nick Sinclair makes Taylor's life even more interesting. Especially since Nick's brother is Taylor's number one suspect.

This is an awesome debut novel from author Patricia Bradley. After reading the first few pages, I was captured! The characters were solid and believable, and I could truly feel the emotions Taylor felt when she talked about her dad. Tensions were high throughout the book because Taylor was getting to close to answers, which would expose to many people. I don't like saying too much about what happens in the book, because it ruins it for me when people do that, so I will just say if you love suspense/thrillers, then this book is a must for you to read. Believe me, you will not be disappointed in the time and money spent on this one!!

I received this book from the publisher Revell Publishers to read and review. I was not required to write a positive review. The opinions I have expressed are my own. I am disclosing this in accordance with the Federal Trade Commission's 16 CFR, Part 55.

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As seen on my blog:

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Beth Vogt says

Such a well-written book. Obviously well-researched, with a plot that had depth and twists and turns that kept me saying, "Just one more chapter!" This may be Patricia Bradley's debut novel, but she's knows how to write suspense that keeps you on the edge of your seat -- and keeps you ignoring all the other things you need to be doing too! Characters were believable, thought-out, and I came to care about them, even as I tried to figure out who was the one stalking the heroine -- who should she trust and who shouldn't she trust?

Joanie Bruce says

This book was fantastic! Patricia Bradley is an excellent author! I look forward to reading more of her work.

Kim Smith says

I found this author at her booksigning at Books a Million and accidentally purchased the SECOND book in the series without reading the first. Because I am totally anal this way, I decided to buy the first book too and read them in order. You totally do NOT have to do this, as each is a book unto itself. Let me tell you, I would have been really sorry if I hadn't gotten this book. It begins at a crime scene and ends with all the threads tied up (at a crime scene) -- and it is one of the best romantic suspense books I have read in a long time. I am a lifetime Bradley fan.

On to book two soon, and I am really excited about it!!!!

Sharon says

The solving of the crime and the crime's links with the past was interesting but I found the continuing pity party that the profiler throwing for herself to be hard to take. In my option this really interfered with the story. I also found the other characters only marginally appealing.

Sarah Grace says

Not really my thing.

I didn't find the motive for the villain super convincing, and the romance drove me crazy. Overall, well written, but a bit weak.

Debbie (Doc) says

3.5 stars

Taylor Martin is a psychology professor and part-time criminal profiler. The only case that she can't solve is of her missing father. For twenty years, she has wondered what happened to him without a trace or any clues. She is good at her job and knows it. She does have self-doubt in her personal life where men are concerned.

In walks, or more accurately stalks, Nick Sinclair whose brother is accused of murder. Nick is in desperate need of Taylor's help in order to acquit Scott. Nick's wife died in an accident years before, and he has absolutely no plans to fall for Taylor.

This was a very slow character build. Several other characters were introduced so this reader is sure that they will be front and center in future installments. While the story was very clean (Christian novel), the particular writing style was not for me. The narrator did an excellent job in switching back and forth between characters. Thanks to Tantor Media for supplying me this audio in exchange for a honest review.

Victor Gentile says

Patricia Bradley in her new book, "Shadows Of The Past" Book One in the Logan Point series published by Revell takes us into the life of Taylor Martin.

From the Back Cover: While she's stalking the truth...someone is stalking her.

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Welcome to Logan Point. Here the food is served Southern Style and life is a little bit slower. That doesn't mean, however, that there is no danger. Far from it. "Shadows Of The Past" is a thriller, no doubt about it. Taylor's life is in great danger as a stalker is trying to prevent her from finding out the truth. Just when you think you might know where the story is heading Ms. Bradley tosses in another turn which you take at high-speed on two wheels. Ms. Bradley makes her characters so real and you root for them to complete their mission and you root for their romance to blossom. Ms. Bradley knows how to tell a story that keeps you flipping the pages and guessing as to who the bad guys really are. This is a wild ride read and I recommend it highly.

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Ann says

Wow! What an amazing first novel. The characters are very well developed, the plot moves along at a good pace and nowhere does the author get bogged down in descriptions. The author does a marvelous job of blending the present tense and flashbacks of the main character's past. What I really enjoyed was no curse words and especially no gratuitous sex scenes. Too many times it seems as an author will sprinkle a good novel with cuss words and sex that adds absolutely nothing to the story line. Kudos to the author!!! Highly recommend this novel for everyone that enjoys a good mystery.

Sheila Myers says

Great suspense novel. I always enjoy these types of books when there are many suspects and at least a few motives. Patricia Bradley keeps you guessing right up until the last few chapters. The characters are well-developed and the plot has many twists and turns.

Natalie Vellacott says

This was free on kindle. It wasn't outstanding but it kept my interest and I finished it! The "good" characters were well developed and likeable. I felt there needed to be more detail about some of the fringe characters especially those who ended up with primary roles. There were a fair number of twists which kept me reading as I wanted to know what happened.

The book was clean and free of bad language/graphic violence/sex scenes. I liked the Christian theme but felt

it could have been enhanced as the main character doesn't come to a firm conclusion about God. Maybe in a sequel she will. I would read another book by this author. Recommended for light reading as the plot is not too complex.

Cindy says

WOW! I love mystery and suspense and this book was all that and more! I had to double check, but for a debut novel this one is a HOMERUN!! I can't wait for book 2 in this series. As always I like to try to figure out who the bad guy is, and I had him pegged, but I was SHOCKED by the reasons. OHH my. You will not want to put this book down. There were a few slow points but nothing to take away from the story. Great book! Great debut! 5 stars from this reviewer. This book was provided for review purposes only, no payment was received for this review.
