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Buried (A Bone Secrets Novel Book 3)



Synopsis

2014 Daphne du Maurier Award Winner
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Eighteen years ago, Chris Jacobs walked out of the forest, the lone survivor of a school bus load of children who'd vanished two years before. His memory was gone, his body beaten and emaciated. Today, the sad remains of the missing children have been discovered along with evidence that they were held captive for years. But investigative reporter Michael Brody's brother is still missing. He sets out to question Chris, hoping his memory has returned. Constant fear of being found by his kidnapper has driven Chris into hiding. The only lead Michael has is Chris's sister, Jamie. As they race to find Chris, Michael and Jamie somehow find each other among the decades of wreckage. But locating Chris may not be so easy. Now grown, his scars go far deeper than skin. In *Buried*, the next thrilling Bone Secrets novel from bestselling author Kendra Elliot, a damaged hero digs deep into his terrifying past and unearths a chance at love for the future.

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Customer Reviews

Reading this book was not without some inner cringing and some depression. There is a very evil element in this book, which all the main characters had to endure and deal with over a 20 year period of time. The plot involves children, and it is difficult to read what the children went through. Fortunately, the author didn't go into specifics as to what the children endure, but what my mind conjured up as the story unfolded caused me some distress. That being said, it was a very well written book, with good, strong characters driving the story line. It was just a difficult read for me, and I'll await awhile until I read another of her novels. It is for that reason, I give it 3 stars.

This was so good and sad and entertaining and maddening and ...just good!! The plot was heartbreaking but I do love a story where the bad guys get what they deserve. And I could not believe the jerk that set all the heartbreak in motion!!!----- spoiler alert -----I was so annoyed with Michael and his insensitivity to Chris! I understood he wanted to find out the truth about his brother and the other kids but so many people lost their life because of his careless pursuit of Chris!And not once did Michael even try and understand the hell Chris went through! All he could muster up is he's an adult, it's time to move on, being a hermit isn't good. I mean, seriously! That type of trauma effects someone for the rest of their life!!Yes, some become hermits (which is nothing bad), some become like the abuser, some become the crusader to protect others from what they went through. I completely understood why Chris did what he did and admired him more because although others saw a flawed man, I saw a man who truly wanted to protect those he loved the most.Anyway, my point is you can't just say, because it happened long ago it's time for you to move on. ugh! I wanted to strangle Michael when he said lots of people have bruises on their face, they don't hide away. It's like saying, everyone should think and act exactly the same, no matter the situation!Oh, and every time he brought up the news media and all that crap. I'm like, dude how about acting like a human being and promising to protect Chris from all that crap! Of course Michael just says we have to let everyone know. Jeeze! Unbelievably insensitive!!So needless to say I hated Michael's character. And Jamie wasn't on my favorite list either! No wonder Chris didn't trust her with his private info, although being attacked was definitely an eye opener and she deserved answers.----- spoiler alert end -----I absolutely recommend this read!

Twenty years ago, a school bus taking nine children home from a field trip vanished. One child on the bus, Daniel Brody, is the younger brother of Michael Brody. Michael was introduced in Hidden, the first book in the Bone Secrets series. He is intense and spontaneous, as an investigative reporter and as a man. His astute reporting has solved innumerable cases but not the one that

matters most, what happened to his brother? Two years after the bus disappeared, the only survivor, Chris Jacobs, emerged from the woods. At thirteen, he was badly beaten, emaciated, and near death, with no memory of the atrocities that he had endured. His only memory about his nightmare is that the Ghostman did it. At 18, Chris goes into hiding out of fear that the Ghostman will find and kill him. The remains of the driver and the children, with one exception, are found on an abandoned farm, eighteen years after Chris Jacobs escaped. The missing child is Daniel. Michael's parents never have recovered from Daniel's disappearance at Michael's emotional expense. While carrying the pain of his dysfunctional relationship with his parents, he vows that he will find out the reason Daniel's remains are not with the other children. Michael's only hope is to find Chris Jacobs and question him about Daniel. Unfortunately, Chris' whereabouts is unknown. Michael's only lead is Chris' sister, Jamie who does not know where her brother lives. She communicates with her brother by leaving voice mails and he calls her back. Jamie has not seen him since he left home. Michael has some leads as to where Chris lives. Michael wants Jamie's help. She cannot fathom just taking off to find her brother until her house is ransacked and she is attacked by a person the police believe may be the Ghostman. Worried that the Ghostman may find her brother, she goes with Michael. During their search for Chris, they discover their mutual attraction. The characters have their issues but are very likable. Jamie and Michael are diametrical opposites. She requires an organized, non-spontaneous life. He is impetuous. Michael quickly decides, nonetheless, that Jamie is the One. Jamie adapts to Michael's lifestyle. But, it takes her a little longer to discover her feelings for him. Unfortunately, as a result of their search, mayhem ensues. Eventually, the motive for the kidnapping and the persons responsible are discovered. The twists along the way are great and very unexpected. The growth of the characters is believable and befitting. They all are able to heal in various degrees, as well, uplifting the reader with the ending. *Buried* is a somewhat uncomfortable read, at first, since children are involved. However, Kendra Elliot handles a difficult topic about the children with a light pen, not any easy task. Although *Buried* is the third book in the Bone Secrets series, it is a stand-alone read. I prefer to read books in a series in order. I would definitely recommend the first two books, *Hidden* and *Chilled*, respectively. I highly recommend *Buried* to any reader who genuinely enjoys Romantic Suspense, that is, a balance between the two genres.

this lady's books are amazing. I really enjoy them and already bought the rest in the series. already located one of the author's other series and will definitely read them as well. I buy the book and the audible narration as it's great to listen to while working out or on the drive to work. so glad i found a new author I really enjoy. Lots of plot twists, surprises and suspense.

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