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## Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy

Ryan Kendall is broken. He understands pain. He knows the hand of violence and the ache of loss. He knows what it means to fail those who need you. Being broken doesn't stop him wanting the one thing he can't have; Finlay Tanner. Her smile is sweet and her future bright. She's the girl he grew up with, the girl he loves, the girl he protects from the world, and from himself.

## Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy Vk

At nineteen, Ryan leaves to join the Australian Army. After years of training he becomes an elite SAS soldier and deploys to the Afghanistan war. His patrol undertakes the most dangerous missions a soldier can face. But no matter how far he runs, or how hard he fights, his need for Finlay won't let go.

## Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy Read Online

Returning home after six years, one look is all it takes to know he can't live without her. But sometimes love isn't enough to heal what hurts. Sometimes people like him can't be fixed, and sometimes people like Finlay deserve more than what's left.

## Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy Epub Download

This is a story about war and the cost of sacrifice. Where bonds are formed, and friendships found. Where those who are strong, fall hard. Where love is let go, heartache is born, and heroes are made. Where one man learns that the hardest fight of all, is the fight to save himself.

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My eyes were already filled with tears from the very first pages. The prologue alone was all it took for me to fully connect and I knew right from the start that this book was going to be special.

"Even though we've never been together, you've always been mine, and even if I never get to keep you, you'll still be mine."

Ryan had dreamed his whole life of becoming a soldier. With a drunken father who beat him and fought constantly with his mother, he couldn't wait to get away. Then Finlay walked into his life -- and she was this gorgeous, shining beacon that called to his heart. But as much as he was in love with her, he couldn't allow himself to have her because his whole life had been building towards the dream of getting out and away; of becoming a soldier. And at 19, he left everything behind and joined the Army.

Six years went by as he trained, fought, saved lives, took lives, survived, and lived through hell but he never stopped thinking about the girl he'd always wanted, who'd never been his but who owned his heart... and that he'd walked away from.

And then... he came home.

"For six years I fought every day not to think of you, and I lost, because every day you were all I could see."

Honestly, I'm being very vague about the storyline here because there is so much more to it that I really think will be better enjoyed if you just discover it for yourself along the way.

The story unfolded beautifully. It was captivating. It began by giving us a heart-wrenching taste of the future, and then took us right back to the very beginning showing how the relationships intensified over the years and allowing us to fall in love with them as they were falling in love with each other.

It was gorgeous but made my heart ache watching Ryan's quiet, unspoken love for Fin grow throughout his childhood. I felt his longing so strongly and these built-up feelings were a huge part of what made everything so powerful once their love for each other was acknowledged.

I can't even tell you how many different things I felt while I was reading this. The writing was effortless and enthralling and I felt like I was watching a movie of the events rather than just reading them. Every scene came alive in my mind as though it were happening right in front of me.

Everything in this story was just so emotionally charged. I felt every word of this book. My heart fluttered, raced, pounded, and even stopped. It was beaten, bruised, broken and then put back together.

It was just beat after beat of these hugely powerful moments and I'd stop every few pages to just let them all sink in. Sometimes I'd even go back and immediately reread a section because it had hit me so strongly that I just wanted to keep reliving it.

Ryan and Fin were true soul mates. I'm crying even as I write this because what they had - their connection - was just so. fucking. powerful. So often, I'd be reading a scene that wasn't even sad but suddenly tears would be pouring down my face just from emotional overflow.

Here are just some snippets...

"I miss you. Each day hurts a little more than the last."

And this...

"Fin. Look at me," Ryan said firmly.

She lifted her eyes.

"Just one day at a time, okay?"

And ohh my gosh -- this:

"I'll love you longer than the stars that live in the sky."

There was also one scene in particular that made me ugly cry. And by that I mean that I had to put my book down because I literally could not see the page through my tears. I was a shaking, sobbing wreck. But I loved every minute. Books that can pull this level of emotional out of me are the ones that stay in my heart.

The story took place over many years and was always moving forward but, at the same time, it always slowed down and took the time to highlight all the important, meaningful parts of their lives.

There were so many gorgeous visual moment that just stood out to me: the Black Hawk helicopter -- Ryan holding his hand out to Fin -- Fin cleaning his wounds in her bedroom -- that moment when Jake asked Ryan if he was in love with Fin -- the dance -- that night -- lying under the stars -- the letter -- ALL THE LETTERS!!!! -- the lawn scene -- Brothers forever -- the tarmac -- .... pieces of this beautiful story just keeps playing over and over in my head and honestly, I don't want them to stop.

Sacrifice, loyalty, strength, redemption, loss, love ... This book had it all and more.

"Every piece of me is in here... My breath, my heart, my life. I won't ever leave you if you keep that safe inside you."

When I finished, I just sat there letting the story sink in, letting the tears pour down my face, feeling the journey -- the heart ache, the loss, the happiness....

This is the kind of book that I spend all my time searching for. Reading this beautifully written and

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absolutely unforgettable story is an experience that will stay with me forever.

I highly recommend it!! In fact, I'll just say -- READ IT!!!!!! You all should read this!!

Rating: 5++ stars

\*\* This is a standalone (Adult) romance with a HEA.

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## Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy Epub Vk

### 2.5 Just didn't work for me Stars

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Before I start to tell you what all didn't work for me in this book let me just say that even though this book wasn't my jam, I could tell by the writing that the author is extremely talented and that I would try other books by her. That being said here is a list of all the things in this book that left a bitter taste in my mouth and ruined this read for me.

1. Fin loses her virginity to her bf Ian who is not the hero Ryan. It is written in great detail her making love to Ian, not Ryan. And even though they are not together, they both already have feelings for each other. Also it may not have bugged me so much if her being with another man wasn't so detailed.
2. Ryan leaves for 6 years without saying a word to her. For 6 years no letters, no email, no calls nothing.

3. I feel so bad for Ian. Fin does him dirty. Fin dates Ian for years, but when he wants to move in together and take the next step because he is madly in love with her she holds him at arms length. Then when Ryan comes home after 6 years of cutting her off, she lets Ryan touch her and kiss her. Yes she does stop before sleeping with him , but if you have a bf and you're kissing someone else and they have their hand on your breast, and ass, and you are kissing them back it's cheating. It felt like she used Ian as a filler, because she couldn't have who she really wanted.

4. Ryan drove me crazy the way he wanted Fin but would push her away, want her, nope not good enough for her, but I want, can't have her, I can't live without her, I will leave for her own good .....blah blah blah. I felt like the book went in circles. Ryan acting like a coward causes Fin and himself a ton of pain, and made me wanna slam my head into a wall.

5. Ryan doesn't man the fuck up until almost the end of the book and only after he finds out she is pregnant.

6. The story jumps around a lot. 5 years here, 6 months there, 2 months here, 8 weeks there, on and on. I felt like I was missing big chunks of the story. I can understand jumping forward every once in a while in a story, there are so many in this book it's crazy.

All that being said there was some moments in this book that totally broke my heart and had me emotional, and there was some sweet moments with Fin and Ryan, I loved Jake, and the writing was good. And for those reasons I am giving this book a 2.5 stars. Though I didn't really get into this book I didn't hate it. I just dislike more about it than I liked. I am the minority in my views on this book and almost all my friends loved it so I would tell anyone who wants to read it to go for it.

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a loved one who is in the military because everyday you're afraid because you might never see them again. They might die at war and you might never get the chance to say goodbye...

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The story is about three friends.. Ryan, Jake and his sister Finlay.Finlay and her older brother Jake meet Ryan Kendall on their new school. Jake and Ryan become instant best friends.Finlay and Ryan, both have feelings for each other..

Ryan and Jake decide to join the army.For Finlay, it wasn't enough heartache that her brother and his best friend were going off to Afghanistan,also she had to deal with her feelings for Ryan..

I loved the relationship that the three of them had. The bond and love is so unconditional.

Ryan and Finlay's story broke my heart over and over :(((

Finlay is torn by wanting and loving Ryan or moving on...

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“When I’m near you I’m consumed by you”your smile, your eyes, your heart. Even though we’ve never been together, you’ve always been mine, and ever if I never get to keep you, you’ll still be mine.

After a tragedy... :( Ryan and Finlay admit their feelings to each other and they became a couple...but this it wasn't easy..They are two so opposite characters,yet so perfect match at the same time.

Ryan omg :// I love him!!!!He lived with such an awful pain inside of him!He was physically and mentally abused by his father.

Ryan's only dream was to become soldier...but then he finds his family with the Tanners and love with Finlay.Finlay is a new light in his soul and heart...Finlay and Ryan wouldn't be together without Jake...I liked him so much.He was so open and he was all for Ryan and Fin because he wanted them to be together and happy...

If you are looking for a beautiful,emotionally romance this is what you need!!This is a MUST READ!!!  
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## Fighting Redemption V1

2.5-3 stars!

About 7 months ago, I received a Christmas present: an ebook of Fighting Redemption emailed to me from my mom who read and loved it after seeing it on Amazon's recommendation list. Our tastes almost never converge so seeing her love a military romance really brought this book to my attention. It was also impossible to ignore all the reviews and status updates about the book "almost everyone who did read it ugly cried and said it was a top favorite of the year. I told myself right then 2.5-3 stars!

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So now that I've finished the book, I'm mulling it over in my head. It took me almost 3 days to read and I've DNFed twice before picking it up again. Also cried twice. The very first thing I noted was that Kate McCarthy is an extremely talented writer. I'll admit she is very brilliant with her words so it's easy to get lost in the wave of emotions her writing evokes, especially when it came to the numerous obstacles keeping Fin and Ryan from each other. Except now that I think about it, I never understood their love for each other in the first place. For me, they go from children growing up together, having the occasional conversation/interaction, hit puberty and had crushes on each other (NEITHER voiced their feelings), then Ryan went off to war and Fin got herself a boyfriend. Now 6 years later, they see each other and immediately start professing "I'll die-for-you" love? If I were there, I'd be like "Where'd that come from?? So right off the bat, that was a big disconnect for me.

It doesn't matter that Fin knew she had feelings for Ryan, Ryan knew he had feelings for Fin, and I knew they both had feelings for each other. They never gave weight to that "love, never voiced it until it was too late. Another thing was the third person POV. I'm usually not too picky about the



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It's a compelling story of love and loss, incredible happiness and crippling sadness, a gut-wrenching, tear-jerking emotional roller-coaster of a ride which I was unable to put down once I'd started and I read into the wee small hours of the morning to finish this because I just had to know how it ended. Better perhaps to say that I dreaded how it was going to end. In fact I feared the ending, right after reading the prologue which, I have to confess, had me crying by page two! I felt instinctively that I was about to embark on something really special and Fighting Redemption absolutely delivered.

I am a big fan of Kate McCarthy's - I've loved and adored her books before. You know you're going to get fantastic characters - heroes and heroines that seem real and a captivating plot but I think it's fair to say that she outdid herself with Fighting Redemption. I had high expectations going in and I wasn't disappointed but she's definitely raised the bar exponentially higher now than ever before but I have confidence in her ability to deliver. Fighting Redemption is unforgettable, powerful, incredibly moving and it will live on my heart for months and years to come.

So this is Ryan and Finlay's story - thrown together by chance and circumstances in childhood, they have practically grown up together. Ever since that first day when Fin stumbled at school in front of him, she has triggered every protective instinct in Ryan and he has loved her and only her for as long as he can remember. Ryan has endured a painful childhood that really did make my heart hurt but he has an incredible friendship with Fin's older brother Jake that finally offers him salvation from his situation as he practically grows up with them.

As grown men Ryan and Jake join the Army, rise to the ranks of the S.A.S and go off to fight in Afghanistan. The horrors of war, the deep effects on those who serve and those left behind are powerfully served up here - it's gritty, realistic and harsh and you had better get the Kleenex on standby. I cried buckets!

I adored Ryan - his incredible strength both physical and emotional, his restraint, his awesome physique and just the way that he loved, adored and cherished Fin. It really was a thing of beauty. He's constantly trying to do what he thinks is the right thing by Fin, often being selfless and sacrificing his own happiness for what he thinks is best for her. He's a soulful, passionate and very sexy hero and, for the longest time, the simmering sexual tension between the two of them is almost palpable - it's unacted upon for years although they are deeply longing for one another but constantly denied but, when they finally can resist it no longer, their connection is incendiary and white-hot!!

Fin is a heroine after my own heart. I identified with her closely. She's a clumsy nerd just like me - in fact, this is pretty much my favourite combination in a book - the geeky heroine and the tough alpha hero. Fin is a sweetheart - unfailingly honest and incredibly generous and giving. It's no wonder Ryan adores her. She has much to endure in this book and so much to lose. My heart hurt for her on so many occasions and, as I neared the end, I was so afraid of how things would turn out.

I'm a military wife myself and Kate McCarthy really does a fantastic job of showing just how hard it is

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for the family left behind as the soldiers go off to war. The fear, the pride and the long months spent apart are vividly recreated here – it’s incredibly realistic and spoke to me on a very personal level. The whole story did – it touched my heart in a way that very few books have ever managed to before and I am never going to forget this one.

As with any Kate McCarthy book, this story was hard to put down. She writes incredibly compelling and captivating plots and her writing style and the pacing are perfect and I just allowed this story to roll over me, never once really knowing how it was going to end but preparing myself for the worst. It’s been one of the highlights of my reading year and one of the best books I’ve ever read. It’s just exquisite.

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Fin ~ beautiful clumsy nerd ..... She loved Ryan her whole life. There was so much genuine adoration between these two that I could not stop sighhhhing and then crying and then full-out wailing. I love this book with all my heart. This is my signature read. Weepy-steamy ..... Holy F! This book wrecked me.

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“I’d give almost anything to wake up to that every morning.”

He hated the words that came out of his mouth. It hurt like a bitch knowing her beautiful smile belonged to another man.

“Almost anything.” She backed up a step. “That’s always been our problem, hasn’t it?”

“When I’m near you I’m consumed by you—your smile, your eyes, your heart. Even though we’ve never been together, you’ve always been mine, and even if I never get to keep you, you’ll still be mine.”

“Enough!” She jabbed a finger in his chest. “There’s hurt in there. I know it. You know it, but you’re not going to move on from it until you let that shit out. Whatever you’re doing now isn’t working. Own it, Ryan. Stop letting it own you.”

This book is too beautiful to review without being very vague and giving away too much! I'm still crying ! I can't stop thinking about this book !!

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6 Outstanding, blow my mind stars \*\*\*\*\*

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I will say though and I give warning here I thought this was going to be a light read, I heard good things but I don't know what I was thinking, SERIOUSLY WHAT WAS I THINKING because I found myself in the midst of their story and unable to pull myself away, I couldn't concentrate on much else and I NEEDED to keep reading till I finished just so I could breathe . NO JOKE this is a phenomenal book.

So What' s it about?

When Fin was 8 and Ryan was 10 Fin stumbled over, Ryan knelt down to help being drawn to Fins unique innocent nature, upon helping Fin, Fins brother Jake wanted to know what was going on and that is where the three of them embark on a friendship. But Ryan and Fins chemistry is intense and difficult for Ryan to keep away but he does as Fin doesn't include his plan.

Ryan comes under the tortured hero label, he thinks he doesn't deserve to be loved, he comes from a home of abuse which is why Jake and Fins family take Ryan on as another son and as their own. He has one plan out of life and that's to become a SAS Soldier, to make a difference, to become somebody and to make his parents proud of him, he lives, breathes, dreams and wants this so he won't let Fin into his heart, he's trying to protect her. So he goes to war and Jake follows suit so Fin becomes an independent beautiful scientist.





## Fighting Redemption Quotes

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enjoyment, I felt none of this...and quite frankly I felt more interested and invested with the "hero" fighting in the army...it provided me with some relief from the explicit sex scenes with heroine and OM...but that is not what i should be doing...I should not feel like "avoiding my characters"...I want to feel joy and excitement when engaging with my protagonists..but that's not what happened here!

I had so much hopes for this book and I cannot denied it puled me emotionally...but its not enough for me to feel "enjoyment" when i should feel the need to be with my "characters" every step of the way...and I cannot feel that here..because I want to escape from the real world and feel something that will make me forget about harsh reality and this book wants me to escape to reality! ...more

This is a 6+++ star book

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Fighting Redemption is more than a story about war and the men who sacrifice their lives to protect their country and freedom. It is also a story where bonds of brotherhood and friendship are formed. Lives are lost and saved. Where family is more than just blood. Where love is first found and lost, where grief and guilt can overshadow any happiness, where unspoken love speaks volumes of never-ending beautiful heartfelt love, where truths and secrets are revealed, where redemption can finally be found, where heroes are born and finally when to say goodbye and let go.

Ryan Kendall grew up with a with an abusive father and a mother who neglected him till he found a second home with the Tanner family through his friendship with Jake Tanner. Ryan and Jake were inseparable; their friendship was so deep that were like brothers. Brothers who would have sacrificed and gave their life for one another. When Ryan meets Finlay, Jake's baby sister, it was love at first sight. In his eyes, Fin was just perfect. She was the only one who had his heart. Never having told her how much he loved her, Ryan joined the SAS Army at the age of 19. Six years has past and his love for Finlay remained.

“Six years, Ryan. Do you know how hurt I was, each day passing by and getting nothing-not even a note or an email? I didn't just lose you. I lost my brother too. Both of you left me, and I was okay with that. I understand that this was what you needed to do, so I moved on. I built a life that doesn't include you. That was what I had to do.”

“Why can't I force myself to leave? I hurt too. For six years, I fought every day not to think of you, and I lost, because every day you were all I could see. You were the best thing in my life-so sweet and innocent, and so goddamn tempting! I stayed away so you could move on.”

“Don't ever be sorry. Guilt is the only thing I can't let you live with, baby. I won't do that to you, even if it kills me.”

Ryan and Fin's relationship can only be described as raw, intense, fierce, palpable, and heartbreaking. Their love for each other can be felt from the first page of the prologue till the last page of the epilogue. Though their journey was never easy, Ryan and Fin, in the only way they knew how made it work.

"I have a thick skin, baby...but you're under it. You're buried in there so deep it's like I was born with you in my soul. When I'm near you I'm consumed by you--your smile, your eyes, your heart. Even though we've never been together, you've always been mine, and even if I never get to keep you, you'll still be mine."

Have you read a book that makes you stop and reflect on how deep and amazing these characters were? Jake, Kyle, Ryan, and Fin were fictional characters, but the way Kate McCarthy had written them, they could be easily be real. The story was so raw, honest and practically real that military families could easily relate to their story from deployment, waiting to hear if their love ones are okay, and getting that phone call or visit that will forever change your life. This book was so raw and heartfelt that every letter, every conversation, and every thoughts that Jake, Ryan and Fin exchanged played an integral part to the story-line. Ms. Kate McCarthy did a fantastic job in this book because she was able to showcase what friendship, redemption, brotherhood, family and love entails. An absolute must read!

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Fighting Redemption wasnâ€™t just a story about the men that risk their lives to protect and defend their country and freedom. And it wasnâ€™t just a simple love story. It is so much more. It is a story about friendships, bravery and sacrifice not only in war but within family and it is a story about strength and self-respect.

The beautiful main characters in this book are Ryan Kendall, Jake Tanner and Finlay Tanner. But I also fell in love with a secondary character Kyle Brooks. I canâ€™t put my finger on why but he crept into my heart as well. Even though he was described as being made up of âœnothing but rock solid muscleâ€• he came across as a big teddy bear. He was that guy that loved to bust balls and flirt with the ladies but he was also the guy that was there for everyone when things got tough. And things got tough.

Ryan met Jake and Finlay at the beginning of one school year. Jake and Finlay were new to the school.

They were all young, Finlay being the youngest. But when Fin literally stumbles into his life there was no turning back. Finlay took hold of his heart without even knowing it.

I loved Jake. He was always so protective of Finlay and wanted her to be happy. He was such a sweetheart.

And Finlay. Well she was just a simple girl. And a bit of a klutz. :) She just wanted to fall in love and live happily ever after. She was beautiful inside and out.

The thing is, Ryan's own family life had fallen apart. He experienced something in his young life that caused him emotional and physical pain. But it made him stronger and he became a wonderful man.

Through his friendship with Jake, the Tanner's became his new family. And from there a family bond, like no other began. The brotherly love and loyalty that grew between Jake and Ryan was something that stayed strong throughout their late teenage years and followed them through their enlistment in the SAS Army.

But Ryan's feelings towards Finlay grew, matured and filled his heart. Ryan loved her. He wanted to protect her and always keep her safe. But he knew that his future in the service wouldn't allow for the type of relationship she deserved so he kept his feelings tucked away. But Finlay could feel it. She knew he had feelings for her but without ever hearing those words Fin lived her life, dated and moved on.

Now six years have passed and Jake and Ryan are returning home. Time causes change and all three have changed a lot. Fin has created a life for herself with her boyfriend Ian but it isn't a life that is complete. Hmm I wonder why that is? And Ryan, he has experience things that has tested his bravery and his mental and physical strength. But the one thing that hasn't changed is his love for Finlay.

After their return, so much happens with Finlay, Ryan and Jake. Some of it is painful and some of it is beautiful. Their lives will never be the same be that good or bad. But what will always be a constant for them is love, friendship and the inevitability of always being part of each other's lives.

Ryan and Finlay's relationship was one that will grab hold of your heart and not let go. The stages they go through and what they deal with is evident that fate is playing a part in it. It wasn't easy. But how does that quote go? 'Nothing worth having is ever easy, and all the best things in life are the result of pain. In the end, that's what makes the good things go very great, and that's what

makes it all worth the struggle.â€• This is so true for them.

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Sorry, I know I said I wouldnâ€™t say much rightâ€™.but I got carried away. If you havenâ€™t read this book please give it a try. I highly recommend it. It is a story that had me thinking about things. About the families that are left behind of those that serve, about sacrifices people make and about all the good that come from all the amazing people in our armed services. â€• ¤

Iâ€™ll leave you with one of my favorite parts in the story. Fin and Ryan are talking about when he will be leaving again and she has asked him to promise that he will be safe.

â€œYou know I canâ€™t promise you that.â€• You speak to me of love, yet youâ€™ll walk away from me so easily to go and put your life on the line! Do you know how hard that is for me?â€• â€œIâ€™m sorry.â€•

Ryan pulled her around the table and into the circle of his arms. â€œEvery piece of me is in here.â€• He placed his palm flat on her chest, feeling her heart beat hard and steady beneath his fingers. He closed his eyes briefly at the beauty of it. â€œMy breath, my heart, my life. I wonâ€™t ever leave you if you if you keep that safe inside of you.â€• áf! ...more

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Fighting Redemption is Ryan and Finelyâ€™s story. Both of them loved each other from the time they were kids. Ryan was best friend of Jake, Finelyâ€™s brother. There were reason they buried feelings for

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each other and went on hurting without the other one close.

When Ryan joins the Army with Jake, Fin's heart broke. Now, long years later they have the chance to finally find happiness, but there is just so many other obstacles, that maybe the happiness wasn't written in their stars.

It's exceptional, gut wrenching novel. McCarthy's done a great job in creating poignant, unforgettable, beautifully erotic tale of true love, while still fantastically picturing life of a soldier. I was astonished by how tragic and sad some things were. From time to time, my heart started beating faster and whole ~ real life got blurry. I was so into Ryan and Finely's story, I wasn't even paying attention to what was happening around me. I was hooked and then floored and then a crying mess.

Why four stars then? I don't like reading stories written in third person point of view. This type of writing usually cheapen the experience for me. You can't imagine how frustrating for me is loving the book but hating the third person point of view. I feel lost and not able to connect with characters more. It's like watching TV, while I'm addicted to being one of characters. It's hard to do so while everything is written this way: ~ she went, she thought and so on. So if you prefer third person point of view or it doesn't irritate you, Fighting Redemption will be phenomenal for you. Overall, Fighting Redemption is engaging, breathtaking story that will keep you on the edge of your seat. It's Unputdownable, good written novel that every fan of beauty, emotional roller coasters and exceptional tales of love will devour.

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# Fighting Redemption Kate Mccarthy Pdf

Strong 4.5 Stars

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First of all, let me start by saying that this is not an original story. This is a story about love and war, the dichotomy between those two entities being the foundation of stories, movies, and sonnets since...forever.

Seen this before?

Me too.

Now I am not here to make a political statement about war. I am here to discuss a work of fiction; however, war is not fiction and I will say that I believe there is an inherent beauty in the selflessness of soldiers (male and female, from any country) choosing to give up their homes, time with their families, and sometimes their lives to fight for their country. For their beliefs. For their families.

For the men and women in uniform standing to their left and their right.

Because that's what this book is about.

And I thought the author did a great job.

I really liked Finlay and Ryan. And I LOVED Jake. In fact, my favorite aspect of the story was the brotherhood between Ryan and Jake.

Also, I have and always will be a sucker for the childhood love theme. And I thought Finlay and Ryan's story was pretty epic.

My only complaints about this story are:

The beginning. I hate it when an author starts a story by revealing a major plot point(view spoiler)[and in this case pretty much the ending (hide spoiler)] .

And the ending. I feel like the story...lost some steam toward the conclusion. The author had built up an amazing climax. She even had me crying - which is really rare for me seeing as I am cold and heartless.

But instead of an awesome burst, I felt like I was left with a slowly deflating balloon. And a squeaky helium voice.

Overall though, I thought this was a really beautiful book about love, war, brotherhood, and the lengths



Ryan is a SAS soldier fighting in Afghanistan. Joining the army has been his dream since he was very young. Due to his dysfunctional family and an awful tragedy, Ryan is broken and needs to prove to himself that he is worthy of the redemption he seeks. So fighting for his country and helping innocent people is his way to do it. Finley and her brother (Jake) have been his family since fifth grade. And since then he has been in love with Finley. But he doesn't have any room for mistakes... he has a goal and no one will stop him...not even the love he feels for this girl. So he leaves everything so he can pursue his dreams.

Finley has been waiting for Ryan for six years. Granted, she tries to move on but she struggles to let go of her love for Ryan. Then he comes back and he finally wants her but it's not that simple. It never is in life. So when they both experience one of the greatest losses in life...it's up to them to put their broken hearts back together. And again...It won't be easy!!!

“You're all I see. Nothing holds more beauty in my eyes than you do. No one will ever love you the way I do.”

I loved this story. I truly did! Every word got to me and I felt the pain AND the joy... It's one of the best books I have read this year and I'm really happy I picked it up.

“There are no goodbyes in life. Only see you later.”

I definitely recommend this story! Read it...You won't regret it!  
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