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Grieving over her sister's death, Charlotte Morgan leaves the Carolina coast for the shores of Lake Erie, Ohio, to help care for her niece and nephew. Conrad Deaton is also there to assist his brother after this devastating loss. Soon, Conrad and Charlotte are locked in a battle of wills as the War of 1812 rages around them.

While Conrad criticizes Charlotte for her interest in politics, lectures, and lack of domestic skills, she faults him for his insensitivity, rigid schedules, and harsh discipline. The two just can't seem to get along. But could all their bickering be a sign of something more—an attraction between the two? Afraid of loving a man duty-bound to war, she ignores the growing affection between them.

Battle breaks out on Lake Erie. As U.S. Naval officers, Conrad and his brother attend their posts. Charlotte turns to fervent prayer and wills her faith to grow strong as she learns to wait upon the Lord. When neither returns, Charlotte fears the worst.

### **For Love or Liberty Details**

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### Lillian Bittle says

This was a sweet and touching romance that touched the heart with the reality and sorrow buried deep in the book.

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### Dan Curnutt says

Grieving the loss of her twin sister and the loss of her only true love Charlotte must choose the path her life will take. She determines to honor her final promise to her twin sister Emma to watch over Emma's two children as well as support her husband David. That means that Charlotte must also put up with David's brother Conrad who broke her heart six years earlier when he choose a life in the Navy instead of marrying her.

The war is raging between the Colonies and England. Conrad and David have been transferred from the Atlantic Fleet to the Great Lakes Fleet. Thus they need to move the family. This means that Charlotte, the two brothers and the children, Davie and Ashlynn must travel by boat and then overland to the Great Lakes where Conrad will take his new ship as Captain.

Since Emma died in childbirth they also have hired a wet nurse, Mildred, who is a widow and has just lost her baby boy. She will travel with the group.

The main gist of the story is the overwhelming grief that both David and Charlotte feel over the loss of Emma. This grief is consuming and is in danger of causing them to neglect their duties of raising up Davie and Ashlynn. Conrad seems to be the only member of their traveling party who is not grieving, but that is not completely true as he realizes now that he gave up something special six years before when he walked away from a relationship with Charlotte.

The story will delve into the issues of grief, of love lost, of loyalty and duty as well as integrity. Those issues are portrayed well through the character development of Jennifer Taylor. Also at the end of the book you will find a "Group Discussion Guide" that will be a good tool if you read this as part of a book club.

Enjoy!

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### April says

The third and final book in this trilogy. I was not disappointed. Can be read as a stand alone, although, I would recommend reading the others in this amazing series. I have been intrigued from the start by this amazing trilogy of this Scottish clan. Filled with intrigue, passion and the power of love. Fast paced with grief, approaching war, the American Civil war, second chances, faith, healing and the power of love. Once again Ms. Taylor has written a unique, inspiring tale that will grip the reader from the start and hold them in awe. I enjoyed the main characters' desire to do the right thing with their charges and find their HEA. A very compelling, powerful story. Well written with vivid descriptions and engaging, intriguing characters. Can't wait to see what Ms. Taylor has in store for her readers next. Highly recommended for anyone who enjoys an engaging, historical read with plenty of action and passionate characters. Powerful, alluring, and compelling.

Well done and well worth the time to read. Highly recommended!

\* Received for an honest review from the publisher and Net Galley\*

Rating : 4.5

Heat rating : Sweet

Reviewed by : AprilR, Courtesy of My Book Addiction and More

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### **Shauna says**

I was very disappointed with the book. I enjoyed the first two in the series but this one can't stand up to them, as I found the writing and the characters both to be difficult. The writing is choppy and the sentences are at times awkwardly written. It doesn't flow nicely at all which is very distracting.

The characters are as a whole an unlikeable lot, especially the main two or three and I found that became the case even more so as I read the book as opposed to connecting with them as I had hoped. The ending also felt forced. Everything all of a sudden wraps up nicely, especially in the case of Charlotte and Conrad. The other two books in the series were worth reading, both entertaining and full of interesting history, but I can't recommend this third book.

I received this book from Abingdon Press and Netgalley for the purpose of an honest review. My opinion is my own.

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### **F. says**

I received this book from the goodreads-first-reads free giveaway. This is the love story of Charlotte and Conrad who attempt to sort their feelings for each other amongst tragedy and challenges. Overall the storyline was good but the last couple of chapters seemed to lack an appropriate evolution and seemed to have been added to just end the story. It felt like there were too many loose ends and without revealing the ending, it left me wondering more about the other characters and if this was truly the conclusion to a trilogy.

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### **Nancy Luebke says**

This was a wonderful historical romance in the time period where we were fighting England for our freedom here in America. This is a first for me in this time period. It was rich in information about how life was at that time period and how they traveled. The colorful characters added a lot to the situations also. Enjoyed this work involving our history a lot.

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### **Reet Champion says**

Charlotte Morgan grieves her sister's death so much. If cocky Conrad Deaton knew anything about grief perhaps he wouldn't be so harsh on her or her brother-in-law/Conrad's brother. But no he must seek to take charge of a situation. And Charlotte made a promise to her dying sister to care for the two wee ones she left

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behind. And just because Conrad thinks he must drag them aboard a ship to be raised by their father doesn't mean Charlotte is going to sit back and twiddle her thumbs and watch it happen. So she goes. And what an adventure it will turn out to be.

I know, I know. I was less-than thrilled with the first book in this series but dadgum it - this book involves ships, the War of 1812 and one heck of a book blurb. So, being the glutton for punishment I am I dived in. It really wasn't that bad. Much cleaner than *For Love or Loyalty*, I'll say that much. Lately I haven't been able to get enough War of 1812 literature and when this book hit the websites I was naturally drawn to it. With plenty of action and tension between hero and heroine I think most readers will find this quite the story. Though beware, there's a lot of sadness and [spoiler alert] also a death that one probably will not see coming. Overall well worth a read.

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### **Natali says**

By far my favorite book of the MacGregor Legacy.

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### **Sammie Mays says**

I received this book from the goodreads-first-reads giveaway. I loved Jennifer Hudson Taylor's "For Love or Loyalty" and looked forward to reading this last book in The MacGregor Legacy Trilogy.

I enjoyed the story line greatly and loved that the main characters in her previous book was mentioned in this one.

Charlotte Morgan is grieving her twin sister's Emma's death. She made a promise to her sister to look after her children and her husband, David. David has a brother named Conrad who has also made the same promise to his brother. David and Conrad are in the Navy. Charlotte has agreed to leave all she has ever known to join them in another state to care for the children while they go to serve on their next assignment. What does the future hold in store for Charlotte? Will she be reunited with her previous love Captain Conrad Deaton or will Pastor Shaw win her heart?

Really good read. Hated to see this series come to an end. Would love to know what God has in store for this family who has overcome so many obstacles.

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### **Debra says**

This was an intriguing read. I have not read many historical fiction novels in the past, but this one truly held my interest. The characters and settings were true-to-life and the history presented was very accurate. It was a hard book to put down and I truly enjoyed reading it!

I was presented this book by the author as part of a GoodReads contest, but the opinions expressed in this review reflect what I really thought of this book.

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