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After a disastrous marriage and divorce, Detective Cary Stevens vowed he'd never let another woman into his heart. But when his latest investigation puts him in the way of a bullet, his bachelor days—and one-night stands—may be numbered. On the brink of death, he finds himself in Room Six, a waiting room in the hereafter where in-betweeners' fates are truly decided. He resigns himself to dying of boredom, if nothing else, in the lineup of senior citizens with their AARP magazines, when in walks the one woman who could make him want a second chance at life . . . and love.

Chloe Sanders learns the hard way that no good deed goes unpunished when she pushes a little girl out of the way of a moving car and wakes up in some type of purgatory. Or maybe it's heaven, because she couldn't have asked for a hotter guy with whom to await her final judgment. The sweeping glances of his bedroom eyes and sharp-tongued flirtatiousness tell her Cary's certainly no angel, but is he real? When she finally wakes up, Chloe's determined to find out if he's truly a man of magnificent flesh and blood or just a figment of her imagination. But before she can track him down, will the murderer that first put them both in Room Six come back to finish the job?

### **About the Author**

*New York Times* bestselling author Christie Craig grew up in Alabama, where she caught lightning bugs, ran barefoot, and regularly rescued potential princes, in the form of bullfrogs, from her brothers. Today, she's still fascinated with lightning bugs, mostly wears shoes, but has turned her focus to rescuing mammals and hasn't kissed a frog in years. She now lives in Texas with her four rescued cats, one dog—who has a bad habit of eating furniture—a son, and a prince of a husband who swears he's not, and never was, a frog.

If Christie isn't writing, she's reading, sipping wine, or just enjoying laughter with her friends and family. As a freelance writer, Christie has over 3,000 national credits, as well as three works of nonfiction, including the humorous self-help/relationship book *Wild, Wicked & Wanton: 101 Ways to Love Like You're in a Romance Novel*. Christie writes humorous romance novels for Grand Central, as well as the *New York Times* bestselling Shadow Falls series, under the pen name C. C. Hunter. Contact Christie—she loves hearing from readers—or learn more about her and her work through her website: [www.christie-craig.com](http://www.christie-craig.com).

### **Divorced, Desperate and Dead Details**

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## **From Reader Review Divorced, Desperate and Dead for online ebook**

### **Guilty Pleasures Book Reviews says**

Anytime I want to read a book that is sure to make me laugh out loud, and multiple times, Ms. Craig is one of my go to reads. This book, #4 in the series, did not fail to comply to this premise. This read is about Detective Cary Stevens and Chloe Sanders. I LOVE that with this book, it was Cary that was never going to allow himself to love again. Usually it's woman trying to go against falling, but not here; and boy did he fall for Chloe!

I thoroughly enjoyed the near death aspect and suspense of this read. It really was a spin on her normal books, but really added to the plot. I also enjoyed the whole spiritual piece (to each their own on this one, but I do feel it added to the plot). And as in all of the Divorced series and with Ms. Craig, the connection between the two characters was smoking hot. I love the build up that lead the two finally being together...made it that much better! This was a fast paced read that never let me down!

Review copy provided for a voluntary review.

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### **Andrea Akers says**

#### **Divorced and Desperate 5**

Can a chance meeting in Room Six bring two people together forever? Cary has a case to solve but while working his case he meets Chloe in Room Six. Immediately they find a connection but will they find that HEA they both are searching for?

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### **Tina says**

This was a cute story. The humor was so good! That hospital scene had me laughing so hard I snorted several times. I wasn't thrilled with how Chloe handled the conflict toward the end and it had a hit on my rating. I didn't like the pov switches to J.D. either. Those 2 points dropped my rating from a 4 to 3. I still liked this book and series. I look forward to reading the next.

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### **Diane ~Firefly~ says**

[I was impressed that I actually cared about J.D. and the final outcome was good (

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### **Janet says**

I love all of these Divorced, Desperate books. They are light reading, which I sometimes need, humorous, which I loike, and have a good story. Sometimes you just don't need to have all the angst and after a "heavy" read, these fit the bill. I particularly liked this one. Loved how they met in room 6.

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### **Jo Ann Reinhold says**

I read the original series a while ago and loved the kooky fun so when I saw this one I had to grab it up. The series continues with a twist, this time it is the men's turn to have the "won't ever do it again" club and watching them fall is hilarious! Hot cop that has a big case of commitment phobia and a beautiful girl in trouble, watch the sparks fly and in your head you can just hear the song "another one bites the dust" play! Lite, fun read!

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### **SarahSmith says**

Christie Craig is the master at making me laugh out loud. Everything she writes makes me desperate for more. All of her characters are likeable (even when they're being morons), and her books always have super steamy sex scenes. Fun, quick read. Highly recommended!

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### **Philippa Lodge says**

it's ok, but I'm not convinced. the plot wanders and gets bogged down. the love scenes never quite gelled. the gang plot didn't quite convince me. the afterlife business was just odd, with the stalker angel lady. the overly long black moment depended on a misunderstanding. oh, and she needs a better proofreader.

all the elements were here for a good Christie Craig book, but somehow they didn't quite make it.

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### **Kristin says**

I love Christie Craig. Her characters always make me smile and are always likeable. I haven't read one of her books that I've found a hero/heroine that I've disliked. I wasn't sure about how this started out but I quickly became sucked in. It's not great literature but if you're looking for a fun book you can't do better than Christie.

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### **Lily (Night Owl Book Cafe) says**

I received this book for free from Publisher in exchange for an honest review. This does not affect my opinion of the book or the content of my review. Detective Cary Stevens has vowed to never let another woman into his life after his disastrous marriage, until he get's shot and meets Chloe Sanders in Room Six, a waiting in the hereafter where they wait for their fates to be decided.

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Chloe had just lost her fiance and isn't looking for anything serious, but she also does not believe that Cary Stevens can possibly be real until the detective's own partner shows up on her doorstep (who also happens to be the man that her friend is trying to set her up with)

Sparks fly, tension thickens as the two are unable to keep away from each other, both with broken hearts and might be just what each of them needs.

This was a fun read. I really liked the supernatural aspect of the book, I thought it was different, refreshing and honestly what truly hooked me. I loved the humor in the story, the author is really great with that, I couldn't help but laugh and I've been really needing that lately. The characters worked together well and to top it all off, the author also threw in a bit of a suspense involving gangs and I loved the way she handled the troubled kid in this book.

I listened to this on audiobook and really enjoyed it. The narrator had a southern twang that really fit with the book and the characters and I liked the lazy drawl. Of course I did speed up and that made it even better, but I think she did a wonderful job and it just really worked for the book.

Overall, this was a fun, sexy, entertaining romance and just what I needed to brighten my week. This review was originally posted on Night Owl Book Cafe

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### **Cailey says**

Although I like this book series and I like Craig's writing style, but this book was probably my least favorite of the five. I was not expecting supernatural elements to the story, and it totally ruined it for me.

Don't get me wrong, that's sometimes okay in books, but not when we are into the 5th book and have never encountered anything like it before. I liked the central characters, as well as their relationship development, while trying to find the bad guys. I felt like several topics just were dropped over the course of the book too, and their resolution wasn't too satisfying for me.

I'm glad Craig is continuing to write in this series-it's a good mix of romance, suspense, and humor-but I'd like mine without the afterlife.

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### **Melissa Allor says**

I thought this book started out really interesting and unique from the other books in the series, but I felt disappointed later. It turned into a story that it felt like I read before. It was too similar to the other titles. It would have been wonderful if she had spent more time on "Room Six" since that was the most entertaining part to me. It was a bit of a let down overall, but a fast, quick romance. I probably would have enjoyed it better if I hadn't read it right after reading her other books.

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### **Neena Christianson Martin says**

#### **Do you believe in angels?**

I adore the Divorced and Desperate series this author writes. Each one can be read as a standalone, but they all contain characters from previous books. The characters are complex and intriguing, the locations all start

out in southeast Texas. Her characters have to work for their HEA, and the plots will keep you going along for the ride. These books all have earned their 5 stars.

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### **Bette Stanek says**

Christie Craig has been one of my go-to authors when I'm looking for a lighthearted read with plenty of humor and intrigue. Divorced, Desperate, and Dead is 4 in the Divorced and Desperate series. It's a quick, lighthearted read that is filled with humor and intrigue.

Cary Stevens is part of the No Ball & Chain Gang, three detectives who have vowed never, ever, ever to get involved in a relationship again. After each suffered through their own disastrous marriage and hellish divorce they've got each others' back. There is no way they are letting the other one succumb to a woman again. Well, that only lasted so long. Turner Calder was the first to bite the dust on that vow. Cary looks like he's about to become the second one.

Cary and Chloe meet in Room Six, the waiting room in the afterlife. Yep. You heard me. The Afterlife. As in...Dead. Gone. Expired. No longer among the living. Strange place to meet? Yep. And some of their story gets even stranger after that. While their relationship had an unusual beginning, and a special angel? I'm not even sure what to call her, there are a lot of stumbles and laughs along the way to their HEA.

The entire Divorced and Desperate series is why Christie Craig is one of my go-to authors. If you want pure fun, entertainment and laughs check it out!

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### **Bernie says**

This is the fifth romantic comedy in this series written by author Christie Craig. All are fantastic stories.

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