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He was the handsome stranger at the bar. I was the jilted bride sobbing into the train of my wedding dress. It was supposed to be one night...Fate had other plans.

"Come up to my room with me..."

The invitation came in a deep, husky voice as I was sobbing into my floral arrangement and consuming *all* the alcohol during the lowest night of my life. I should have said 'no'. It was wrong to accept the handsome soldier's offer. But I was hurting. I wanted those rough hands and those soft lips and that sculpted body on me. To ease the pain.

Just for one night.

I was never supposed to see him again. But two years later, he's here—in Copper Heights, Illinois—just as tall, rugged and charming as the night we met.

Meanwhile, I've got green pea puree in my hair, dark circles around my eyes and I can't remember the last time I changed out of these yoga pants.

Yup—things are different now. *I'm* different now. I'm a mother. Overworked, sleep deprived and running on an empty tank. Plus, I have a business to run and I'm determined to prove that I can do it on my own.

But he's a distraction. He's staring at me, his dark, compelling eyes raking my rumped figure like I just stepped off a runway. I must be dreaming because there's no way he's attracted to me.

Agreeing to let him work at my daycare is a terrible idea. I'm his boss in the day. But at night, he's in my bed and he's calling all the shots.

The charming tower of a man has his secrets and I've got mine. I should really keep my distance.

This is going to be a nightmare...so why is he watching me like I'm his dream come true?

***Dream Boy* is a steamy, laugh-out-loud, secret baby second chance romance set in small town Illinois. It is the much-anticipated conclusion to the *Blue Collar Bachelors* series.**

Dream Boy Details

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Anne Baker says

Beauty In Imperfection

Oh how I loved this perfect read by the superb author Cassie-Ann who tells it as it is! Such an hilarious read, that everyone with children can empathise with! So sad that this is the last in the Blue Collar Bachelors Series Set in Copper Heights. I have loved them all, books that you just want to read again and again! Archie and Sophie's storyline was heartbreaking, hilarious, romantic, and a hot read. Sophie was jilted at the altar in Las Vegas and she has a perfect rebound night with her wedding day hero who she meets at the bar! 2 years later she has a beautiful 18 month old daughter River, who her whole life is set around. She is a self sufficient mum who runs a day care kindergarten centre. All Sophie wants now is a father for her daughter. But Archie is a wanderer with a lost soul, due to his injuries in the army, he feels he has nothing to offer his Daisy, even though he has never forgotten her! Will Sophie's life be all about bad descisions? Will Archie ever get to know Sophie's secret? Sophie owes River her dad can she fix her bad descision and does she have enough courage to divulge her secret? Can Archie trust Sophie with his whole body and help her make her dreams come true? I can wholeheartedly recommend this great book as a must read.

I voluntarily reviewed this book after receiving a free copy

Linda Lagrue says

I love Cassie-Ann's series of Blue Collar Bachelors. It is an incredibly entertaining series and "Dream Boy" definitely does not disappoint. Sophie and Archie meet in a bar but what makes this story different is that Sophie is sitting in her wedding dress after being jilted at the altar. Archie offers to help her forget and they end up in his room. Two years later, Archie is back and has never forgotten the wonderful night spent in Sophie's arms. He would like to pick up where they left off but Sophie has an unexpected surprise for him. Will Archie get a second-chance with Sophie? The chemistry between the characters was is so hot and the storyline so well-written that I had very hard time putting this book down. If you're looking for an emotional, sexy, fun romance that will hold your attention till the end then "Dream Boy" is the one.

I voluntarily reviewed an Advance Reader Copy of this book.

Zoe says

Chapter 4

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 685

I want to take care of her. I want to hold her and find a way to make everything better. I want it so bad it makes me forget I'm broken myself.

Chapter 8

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1048

"I meant what I said to you. I didn't forget you. I didn't forget anything about that night. Thinking about you

is what got me through those endless nights when I was out there in the jungle, terrified for my life. You were my hope. I didn't know your name. But I remembered your laugh. Your kiss."

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1055

"From the first moment I saw you, I knew you. My soul recognized you, Sophia. I don't know how to explain it. From the first moment I saw you, you were mine. I don't care who's ring was on your finger or who you showed up in that white dress to meet. You were always mine."

Chapter 9

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1128

This girl is breaking in front of me. Falling apart, piece by piece. Any other guy would be running away. Instead, I want to run toward her with my arms stretched out to catch her broken fragments before they hit the ground.

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1140

even when the world burns down all around you, you can always find a way to pull a little magic from the ashes.

Chapter 12

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1482

The baby girl on Sophia's chest reaches up and grabs at my stubbly chin. She's so beautiful. The most beautiful little thing I've seen. I don't know why my heart goes tight as it does at the sight of her snotty face. Grinning, I reach down and pinch her chin right back. We share a smile.

Chapter 13

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1518

That same kindness that had my heart trying to beat its way out of its cage the night I met her. Something in my chest unclenches. With her standing in front of me, staring up at me like this. It's like someone sets free a hummingbird in my chest.

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1556

She's the only woman who's ever made it seem worth it to fight my demons, just so I could come out on the other side and see the smile on her face.

Chapter 14

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1713

it feel like our hearts are drumming in sync, beating out a rhythm they wrote together?

Chapter 16

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 1985

With this woman in my arms, I feel like I'm home. I've been in love with her since the very first night I met her.

Chapter 23

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 2432

Until you see that you can rely on me to take care of you, to be your friend, to be your man. You can either open the door for me or stand back and protest while I tear down every single wall around your heart. Brick by brick. But either way, I'm gettin' inside."

Chapter 24

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 2441

Finally, I have a purpose. I don't need to wander around, searching for my place in the world. I've found it. These two beautiful girls. Sophia and River. My family. I would kill for them. I would lay down my life to protect them. I feel like my life is finally worth a damn.

Chapter 26

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 2617

"Don't let the boy who couldn't love you keep you from the man who will."

Chapter 30

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 2880

"Sophia will always be the only woman for me. And if, for whatever reason, we can't be together, I'd spend the rest of my life alone because once you get a taste of true love, nothing else in the world can compare."

Chapter 35

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 3140

"Lay down your weapons, soldier. Love doesn't have to be a battlefield. It can just be... love."

Epilogue

Evidenzia (giallo) - Posizione 3428

The handsome stranger at the bar is about to become my husband. He's the father of my child. He's the holder of my heart. He's my future.

Bonita says

Sweet, sweat romance!

Cassie-Ann L. Miller mesmerized me with this book about Daisy/Sophia and Tony/Archie. She was left at the altar and goes to a bar in Vegas to drink away her sorrow when Tony introduces himself and helps her wash away her tears that night. He takes her back to his hotel room where he worships her body and gives her what her ex had never been able to fulfill without even giving her his name. When he leaves for deployment, she feels more devastated than Josh left her at the church but weeks later she finds solace with a surprise visitor to her life. Two years later she gets another surprise when Archie finds his way to Copper Heights. This story is well crafted and brings hot sexual chemistry, angst, heartache and sweet romance. The main characters were easy to love with their broken hearts as they wind their way to a HEA.

Marina Skinner says

Have you ever read a book and become emotionally invested with the characters and what they go through? This book gave me all the feels, the sizzling tension, the flirting, the banter, the sad moments and the wonderful friendships in this story made me smile big! The author has nailed this beautiful story to perfection!

I just love Sophia and her drive to be an independent woman!

I loved her friends too. I mean who wouldn't want friends like them??

Archie, oh boy, well man, lol! Cant you just feel his whole demeanor leaping off the words?? Oh my goodness! Talk about a man with a very large heart but who is also going through a very difficult time.

What I like about this story was that it is in fact a beautiful heartwarming love story to end all time...

Ever wondered what would happen about the one that got away and then came back??

This has to be one of my absolute favorite books of 2018!

This book may cause deep emotions to surface but in the end isnt love and romance what it's all about?

Debbie DiFiore says

Great story

I loved this book. I love how the hero and heroine met, and how they fell in love. All in one long sad night! Then he is deployed and she goes back to her life. Except she's not alone. I love secret baby romances but only if both the h and the H are true to one another. And this one delivers. He is wounded in the war, she has a baby and opens a daycare, and they reconnect in a very kismet type of meeting and I loved it. They didn't know each other's real names so it was so serendipitous. They are some sad moments, some I want to kill him moments but it really does come around in the end! Great epilogue too. One negative thing, it really bothered me too. His name was Archie. Lousy name for a beautiful hero.

Robin says

Such a great read

Archie is an ex marine who was injured in the line of duty. But one amazing night before he enlisted he meet the woman of his dreams. They had one amazing night together. "Daisy" is all he could think about for 2 hole years while he was off in another world fighting the only thing that kept him going was his daisy. Sophia just had the worst day if her life when she got stood up at the ulter. She did not know that day would change her life forever. She did not think that she would ever get to see her "Tony" well he came back to a

one major surprise. This book was awesome. I did not want it to end. Like a great book u never want it to end. I can not wait for the next book. Congratulations Cassie-Ann L. Miller. You did an amazing job again on this great book. My heart goes out to Archie and all the struggles he had to endure and things yet to overcome. I know so many people who have been affected by there war experiences

RoseyLovesBooks says

Jilted bride Sophia Gallo is drowning her sorrows in a Vegas bar when a handsome stranger says "Come up to my room with me..." Sophia can't forget about her one night stand, and not just because she got a daughter out of it. Archibald Jones has a one night stand with the girl of his dreams that ruins him for other women. When Archie is injured by a roadside bomb during his last tour of duty, his best friend convince him to move to Copper Heights. Sophia is freaked out that the gorgeous Archie is in her hometown of Copper Heights and he doesn't know that he's the father of her child. There's unfinished business between the beautiful Sophia and Archie and he has every intention of getting right back into it with Sophia. What happens when Archie finds out about River, his daughter with Sophia?

Dream Boy is a fun, emotional and steamy story that will draw you in

Rebecca Barber says

This book finishes off Sophia's story - one that definitely needed an ending!

What happens in Vegas stays in Vegas...right?

With Sophia's luck more than likely she'll be going home with more than a headache and a few war wounds - wounds happily inflicted by the self appointed and affectionately named, Tony.

Fast forward 2 years and she's not the same woman he met sitting at the bar, wiping her eyes on her wedding gown. Even though she's changed, Tony (really named Archie) he cant let go and he can't move on.

With a mountain of obstacles ahead of them including their own battle scars and past hurts, you find yourself praying for a happy ending for two most deserving people

Emma says

This is something of a second chance romance. I have read most of the Blue Collar Bachelor Series and loved them. But I feel a little dissapointed in this book. The impression I got about our heroine, Sophia, was not a positive one. Yes, she has a lot to deal with. Yes, she is emotionally beaten down. However, she is determined to prove to everyone that she can be successful without the help of friends or family. But she does not realize till very late in the book that fear paralyzes her good judgement and she continues to either take no action or the wrong action and she is desperate for her parents' approval. I don't know, I just was not feeling the love for Sophia. Our hero, Archie, now there is an interesting character and story. When Sophia meets Archie the first time, he is a confidant, a friend, a lover and meets her emotional needs. He bolsters her self-worth. When he returns from the war, he feels he like a shell of a man he once was, not worthy of any good woman's love. When he sees Sophia two years later, she runs from him. She has a secret and is not

ready to share it with him. Archie loves Sophia but feels he can never be the man she needs and deserves. I feel that I was able to relate to Archie much more than to Sophia. Overall, I liked the story. But I could easily pass it up. I received an Advanced Readers Copy of this book and am voluntarily leaving a review.

Stephanie Ditmore says

I voluntarily reviewed I voluntarily reviewed an advanced reader copy of this book. I loved this book! Archie and Sophia give everyone hope that there really is someone meant just for you. These two have a chance meeting, Sophia, heartbroken, shattered and stood up on her wedding day, drowning herself in alcohol at a bar in Vegas, when a handsome nameless stranger strikes up conversation and turns her world upside down. In one night they share everything, hopes, dreams, intimate truths about themselves, amazing sex, why not they will never see each other again, right? He's being deployed, and she is going back to her hometown to deal with the humiliation of being jilted. As fate has it, they will find their way back to each other two years later and not even know it, they never got each other's real names, but when Archie is standing in front of her, she is speechless. So many feelings, these two couldn't forget each other, and through all his hard times she kept him going, her laugh, her smile, and the thought of having her in his life and there she is in the flesh. Known as Tony and Daisy, living a night of lust, feelings and emotions, one thing forgotten in the heat of the moment leads to a secret that hasn't been shared, now that Archie is back can Sophia trust him with her secret? How will he react when the truth comes out? Archie is a proud man, he's broken and put back together piece by piece, he's struggling to hold onto everything that he just might crumble when the truth comes to light. Sophia is guarded, so scared to let anyone in especially Archie, will these two be able to get past all the confusion, and secrets to be together? Their relationship is warm, loving, sexy, makes you have all the feels, you want what they have, and you want them to win in the end, but it's up to them to grab the life they want by the reigns and take it! So, so, so good, I could go on and on, but no spoilers here. This has to be one of my favorite books by Cassie, I highly recommend this book.

Viper Spaulding says

I laughed, I swooned, I cried, I fell in love with Archie and Sophia!

Wow, this book has Every. Thing! Archie is the perfect blend of alpha protective swoon-worthy book boyfriend and broken, wounded, tug-your-heartstrings-right-outta-your-chest bad boy. This story is more than just the usual insta-love, second-chance, or secret-baby romance, though it really is all three as well.

When they first met, Sophia was on the rebound of all rebounds - crying into her wedding dress in a bar after being jilted just hours earlier. Archie was charming personified, determined to give this girl back her mojo before leaving on what would be his last deployment. One magical night, no names, no follow-up, no way to turn it into more. Until it turns into more anyway, when Sophia discovers she's pregnant.

When they meet again two years later, Archie's been through his own private hell while Sophia is just getting her groove back, expanding her in-home daycare business and beginning to consider dating again. When these two meet and realize their earlier connection, the sparks that fly make fireworks look like matches by comparison. But boy oh boy, do these two have some issues to work through - both individually and together.

The writing is stellar, the characters are vividly depicted, and the emotional roller coaster is instantly captivating and oh so fulfilling. All six of these Blue Collar Bachelors are hot alpha love machines, but

Archie just stole my heart right from the start. I couldn't have loved this book more, and it's already found a permanent place on my reread shelf. I voluntarily reviewed an ARC of this book.

Jodia-Ann says

I voluntarily reviewed an Advanced Reader Copy of this book. I wasn't excited to read Sophia story because she came off as uptight and spoilt in the previous books. But her story proved me wrong. I glad her character and personality change because now I really excited I read her story. As always Cassie Ann L Miller created a wonderful story that has you laughing out loud no matter where you are. Archie was a shock for me because I always thought Sophia was pregnant for her ex fiance. Archie was swoon worthy and dreamy, which was exactly the sort of man Sophia needed to bring out her fun side. What a page turner.

Reading Addict says

It's the end of the Blue Collar Bachelors series and Dream Boy was a perfect finish. We have become invested in Copper Heights and Sophie and Archie's story is a great addition. Two years prior, Sophie was in Las Vegas planning to marry her childhood sweetheart Josh when he jilts her at the alter. She's sitting at her reception party distraught and lost when a sexy, smooth talking stranger shows up. She needs to run away for the moment from all the chaos. She needs one night to escape and this guy seems to be the distraction that she needs. They agree to no real names, no real life, just one night to let go. She becomes Daisy and he becomes Tony. They plan on never seeing each other again because Tony is a soldier and is being deployed in the morning. Sophie will have to return to her small town of Copper Heights to deal with the fall out. Guess what? Fate has other plans for these two! It's the present and Sophie is now a single mother. She works hard, surrounded by friends and family but is lonely for the man she never forgot. Archie is a wounded veteran that has been wandering and trying to find his place in the world. His military friends Leo and Charlie invite him to their town of Copper Heights to work with them and hopefully find a home. Neither Sophie or Archie expected to see each other again and they have some big hurdles to overcome but if they're willing to work together, they will be twice as strong. Dream Boy has laughs, tears, angst and love. It's told from dual POV and I recommend reading the rest of the books in the series even though it stands alone because of all the supporting characters.

Jessica says

Dream Boy is the sixth book in the Blue Collar Bachelors series. Sophia has had a rough couple of years, with her groom not showing up to their wedding, being a single mom, and trying her hardest to set up a childcare center. Archie is back from his deployment, feeling less of a man, and is shocked to see Sophia surrounded by his friends from the military. Their attraction is just as strong as it was two years ago, but Sophia is hiding a big secret. Can these two help heal each other's hearts, or will the secrets only divide them?

What a fantastic book! I always hate it when series end, but love how well this one was wrapped up! I loved Sophia and Archie, both their romance two years ago and their new and lasting one! Sophia has such a strong back bone, never giving up, and trying her hardest to turn the lemons life threw at her into something wonderful. Archie didn't grow up with a good male influence, and he was determined to never let love rule his heart, but Sophia blew that rule away. I loved both of their heartbreaking backstories and loved how that

shaped who they are now. This book mostly focused on their own relationship, and I loved that you could feel their chemistry and connection through the pages. I enjoyed seeing some of the previous couples again, and while this book could stand-alone, I think it's best read with the series to get the full feel and experience of her backstory. I have loved this series and loved every second of reading this book!
