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When the clock stops ticking, and the storm rolls in, Hadley Monroe knows exactly what's going on. Forty years ago her grandfather made a pact with Death, and now Death has come calling again.

Forced to make a deal with the reaper, Hadley has only three weeks to answer his question, or he'll take her grandmother too. The problem is, there's no way to answer it, and three weeks is not long enough with the reaper who's beginning to steal her heart...

Please note: This novella has been previously published in the Mammoth Book Of Southern Gothic Romance.

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DemetraP says

This was a very short story. Also pretty sad.

Basically the heroine is trying to cheat Death the entire story.

Heather C says

Sad...but somehow happy...

Henriette says

Novellas have to be rated differently than books, as they do not have the same amount of space to unfold a story. This is actually more of a short story than a novella. And it is Meet Joe Black. I bought the book because I liked the author. But, I never much enjoyed that movie. This book was nice enough, I am, however, clearly the wrong target group.

Katie says

I liked this. I like stories about Death. But it didn't go NEXT LEVEL for me.

(I loved Kiss of Steel so much, but so far the other McMaster stuff I've read hasn't been as wonderful for me.)

Francesca says

Short and sweet. I will definitely grab some of the author's other works.

Julie (Jewls Book Blog) says

Who knew Death could have a sense of humor, be sexy, and learn why love makes people do crazy things? This was an interesting twist for a story and I really enjoyed the nuances between Hadley and Death.

Aly says

3.5

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal; love leaves a memory no one can steal."

Hadley Monroe lost her grandfather not too long ago. Now Death is coming for her grandmother, unless she can answer some of Death's questioning.

In this very short novella, Death is not a grim reaper. He's a young man with a duty. Death is not supposed to be seductive. Death is no joke but he have a sense of humour. Who would have thought that spending time with Death would make the heroine feel so alive ?

While I don't think this short story show the breadth of this author's talent, it still demonstrated her great creativity and originality. Don't know if it was supposed to be, but it felt to me like Young Adult. I think I just needed a little more character's development.

But Bec McMaster is a must read if you like fantasy so pick any of her books.

Roger says

My second read from author Bec McMaster. I'd gotten this book back in March of 2017 & never gotten around to reading it. After reading A Tarnished Knight I wanted to read another by this author & since I already owned this book this is it. Still a good, captivating read & an interesting perspective on death. I'll read more by this author. (RIP Marley January 20, 2014 - July 24, 2018).

Kari Chapman says

This was a decent short story. Long on feels and emotion, though the plot was rather light. For a stand alone short story, that work though. There was a nice twist toward the end that I didn't see coming, so that was a pleasant surprise as well. Worth the time and the money for a feel good read.

Sharon says

[Yes. (hide spoiler)]

Ami says

While I could pretty much predict the ending, this story still brought a LOT of emotions in me. I loved how Hadley was with Death. I loved their time together and how Hadley showed Death what life could be like. It was beautiful -- one scene actually made me all teary-eyed.

This one definitely satisfied me while waiting for McMaster's newest novels.

Lisa - (Aussie Girl) says

I really, really liked this novella and just wish she had expanded it to a full length novel.

Giki says

A short story, this took a little over an hour to read. It is an entertaining read although not as gripping as this author's full-length novels. Hadley Monroe has no real friends and since the death of her grandfather her grandmother has been her only company. But now death is coming for her grandmother too and Hadley makes a desperate bargain to buy more time. This is not an adventure story, it is more of a discussion about life, love and death and the gradual revealing of the true nature of a mysterious stranger.

Melindeeloo says

I was excited to see this story from McMaster and a bit disappointed to discover that this is a story previously released in The Mammoth Book of Southern Gothic Romance. In fact this is really the story that I bought that book for and if you missed it there, it's a good one.

My original review...

Hadley makes a deal with Death. I don't know why reaper romances work for me but they just do. In this one, Death starts out so 'other' but Hadley humanizes him as she shows him what it is like to truly live. The story even brought a few tears to my eyes.

Noura says

Short...but packs a punch. Love the characters, love the emotions packed in a sweet and touching story. There's a twist to the story though the concept is reminiscent of that movie Meet Joe Black.

This is excellent concise storytelling.
