

Brother Sister Soldier Cousin: Kimberley Griffiths Little's Poignant Memoir of Family, War, and Loss

Kimberley Griffiths Little's memoir, 'Brother Sister Soldier Cousin,' is a powerful and moving account of her family's experiences during the Vietnam War. Through vivid storytelling and poignant insights, Little explores the complexities of family relationships, the horrors of war, and the lasting impact of trauma.



Brother Sister Soldier Cousin by Kimberley Griffiths Little

★★★★★ 5 out of 5

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A Family Torn Apart

The memoir begins with a deceptively idyllic portrait of the Griffiths family in the 1960s. Kimberley, the youngest of four children, is a bright and curious girl, surrounded by a loving family in a small town in Ohio. However, the war in Vietnam casts a long shadow over their lives, as her older brother, Michael, is drafted into the army.

Michael's deployment to Vietnam has a profound impact on the family. Kimberley's parents are consumed by worry, while her older sister, Kathleen, becomes increasingly withdrawn. Kimberley herself struggles to understand the war and its effects on her family.

The Horrors of War

As Michael's letters from Vietnam arrive, the Griffiths family is confronted with the harsh realities of war. Michael describes the horrors he has witnessed, including the deaths of his fellow soldiers and the innocent civilians caught in the crossfire. His letters are filled with fear, anger, and a growing sense of disillusionment.

Kimberley's memoir vividly captures the psychological toll that the war takes on Michael and the rest of her family. Michael returns home a changed man, haunted by the memories of what he has seen and done. He struggles to adjust to civilian life, grappling with survivor's guilt and a deep sense of alienation.

The Power of Family

Despite the trauma and loss they have endured, the Griffiths family remains a source of strength for one another. Kimberley's memoir highlights the importance of family bonds in times of crisis. Through their shared experiences, the Griffiths family learns to cope with the challenges of life after war.

Kimberley becomes a passionate advocate for veterans' rights and anti-war causes. She uses her writing to raise awareness about the human cost of war and the need for peace.

A Powerful and Unforgettable Story

'Brother Sister Soldier Cousin' is a powerful and unforgettable story of family, war, and loss. Kimberley Griffiths Little's memoir is a moving tribute to the resilience of the human spirit and a powerful indictment of the horrors of war.

Through her vivid storytelling and poignant insights, Little has created a lasting work of literature that will resonate with readers for generations to come.

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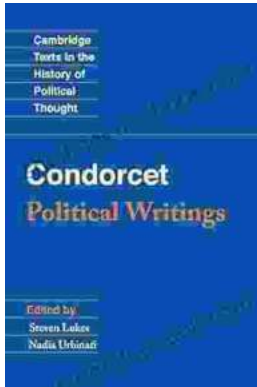
- Kimberley Griffiths Little is an award-winning author, journalist, and professor. She has written extensively about the Vietnam War, veterans' issues, and social justice.
- 'Brother Sister Soldier Cousin' was published in 2018 and was a finalist for the National Book Award.
- The memoir has been praised by critics for its powerful storytelling, poignant insights, and historical accuracy.



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