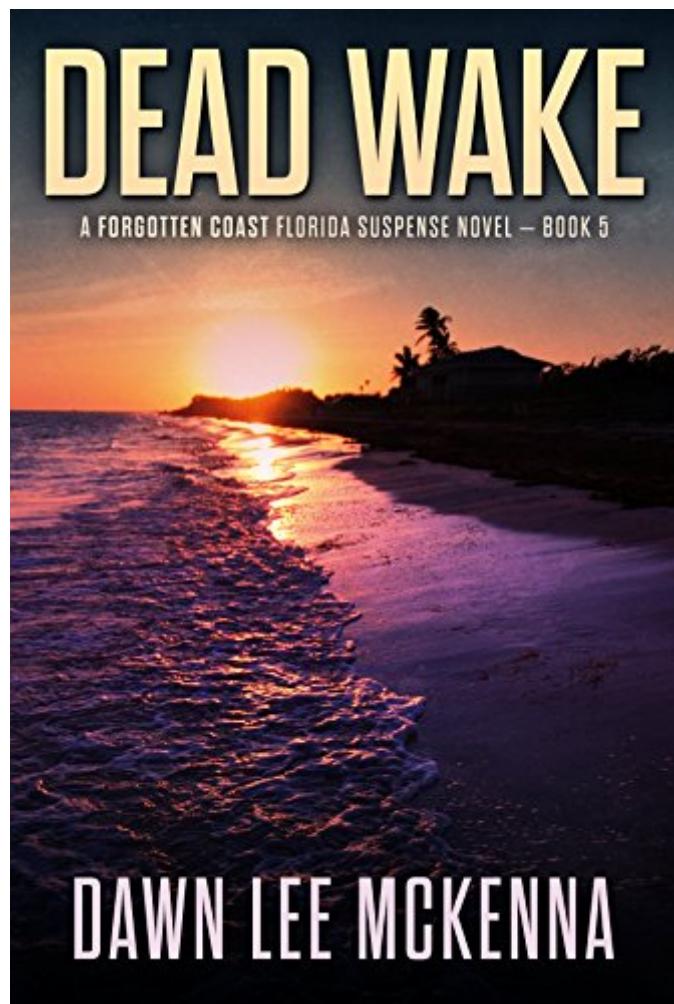


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Dead Wake (The Forgotten Coast Florida Suspense Series Book 5)



Synopsis

DIY has a sinister component in historic Apalachicola, Florida. When the local florists find a dead guy in their wall, it opens up a decades-old missing persons case. It also opens up a Pandora's box of secrets - secrets that might have ramifications for Sheriff's Office investigator Maggie Redmond. Maggie and Sheriff Wyatt Hamilton learn that local kingpin Bennett Boudreux was the primary suspect in the disappearance of Holden Crawford almost forty years ago, but he had an alibi. The problem is, no one knows what that alibi was. The former sheriff won't tell, and even Boudreux himself refuses to say. When a photograph of Maggie's own father becomes an important part of the case evidence, learning Boudreux's secret becomes even more crucial. When is going to jail for a murder you didn't commit preferable to revealing the proof of your innocence? Who is Boudreux really shielding? It might be the same person Maggie wants to protect. *Reviews for The Forgotten Coast Florida Suspense series* Okay, I confess - I'm hooked on Dawn Lee McKenna. If she writes it, I'm going to buy it and read it without much thought about it. Love the stories in this series, and love the characters. I read all I could get and am waiting for more. Ms. McKenna is a truly gifted writer, especially with her dialogue. I hope the *Forgotten Coast* series continues for many, many novels. It's a heck of a world to get lost inside of, and I really love these characters. But if McKenna kills the rooster, I'll never forgive her. Reminded me of HBO's *True Detective* with its slightly ominous depiction of southern life. I must add my praise for this unexpectedly complex book, which I bought because it's set in a location I've loved for years and because I enjoy good mysteries. I'm surprised but very happy to report that McKenna gave me considerably more than I expected. The dialogue is masterful and her description of Apalachicola is dead-on. You actually feel the humidity and hear the rustle of the palm trees. I was so drawn into the book that I read it in one sitting - I couldn't put it down. Taking a chance on a new author and falling in love with their writing style is as cool as discovering a musical group you'll end up listening to for decades. That is how I felt when I discovered Dawn Lee McKenna's book, *Low Tide*. I can see myself reading this author's books for many years.

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Customer Reviews

All six of the forgotten Coast Florida series should have been written in one, or at most, two volumes. It took me about an hour to read each book, and each book unnecessarily duplicated descriptions and background material. Worst, the ending was unresolved and completely unsatisfying. Sorry, not worth the kindle price for six books.

This installment in the ongoing saga of the forgotten coast series seems to be marking time. All of the characters from the previous books remain and seem to be marking time. The body in the wall is tied to some of the main characters but in what is a superficial manner. Perhaps the next episode will bring some closure.

Dead Wake is now my favorite installment of The Forgotten Coast Series (Though I recommend reading them by order). It delivers a lot of what fans of this series are already deeply familiar with - fantastic characters, heartfelt moments and plenty of laughs. However, the mystery in this book is the most intriguing so far. Additionally, I really connected with sheriff Wyatt in this book. He's always been a great character, but in Dead Wake he really shines. A fantastic sequel of a beloved series.

I found my self having 'fun' reading this series, especially this book. The dry humor had me laughing out loud at times, but it never seemed out of place or the slightest bit contrived. It felt natural, like it

belonged. The characters have radically different voices and they stay true to themselves, there is never a time where you say "Huh?" because a character did, or said, something out of character. I've read the whole series. I zipped through the book in one thoroughly enjoyable evening. Highly recommended if you are looking for an entertaining, fun read where there is no magic and the plot hangs together because real people would behave like that.

I very disappointing 5th outing. No new ideas. Finally we get the great revelation about Maggie which any observant reader had already worked out in the 4th book. The characters and their quirks, initially entertaining, have become boring now and the author seems to have run out of ideas. Relationships have not progressed and neither has the story. We get lots more oyster eating, eye brow wagging and angst but NOTHING HAPPENS.

I read all four of Dawn Lee McKenna's books in a row. She keeps the story moving, has an extremely good sense of humor, and has written very likeable characters. I'm hoping she continues with this series of books and I'll also look for any new books she has coming out. She's well worth the time to read.

Maggie is a single mother of two. She is also the Deputy Sheriff. The Sheriff, Wyatt is her best friend and maybe something more is budding in their relationship. A couple is remodeling their florist shop after a hurricane came through. They removed a brick wall and found a body. The investigation reveals secrets that were best left untold. I enjoyed this book and will read more by this author.

Thank you for this intriguing story about the forty-year old murder of a local businessman and the secrets families keep from each other either to protect or to save them from being hurt. I found the various characters in the story very interesting. I was glad that the murder was solved by Maggie and Wyatt. I look forward to reading more of your work.

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