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Longshot Into The West: A Hidden Part Of The Civil War Affects Lives, Property, & Nation's Futures (The Longshot Series Book 2)



Synopsis

LONGSHOT INTO THE WEST by the Best-selling author of LONGSHOT in MISSOURI, Keith R. Baker. Rob Finn is joined by William Cody and Lonnie Walters as they begin their journey into the Gold country of 1862 into the West. They are headed toward Bannack, a town springing up on the banks of Grasshopper Creek, Washington Territory. Soon it would become Idaho Territory, and shortly after that, Montana Territory. But not without the birth pangs that accompany such events. In LONGSHOT INTO THE WEST, Rob meets desperate and unscrupulous men such as Henry Plummer; also gentle and generous Natives who heal and help the strangers in their land. We learn that the treasures of the earth are sought by greedy men on both sides of the Civil War; while lasting friendships are the goal of and reward for precious few hearty souls. Allan Pinkerton and his staff are along for the journey, as is young William Cody. Readers of the first book in this series, LONGSHOT in MISSOURI, have commented: "Keith R. Baker in Longshot in Missouri tells a Civil War story from a fresh perspective that will leave the reader wanting more." • James D Best, Best-selling author of the Steve Dancy novels. "The author has a special talent for creating a clear picture, but also allows us to use our imagination and become more personally involved in a way that so few authors do today." "I was impressed that the story was told in such a way that I felt like I knew the characters personally. The book was refreshingly without vulgarity or unnecessary sex." "I really liked the character of Rob Finn. Not your usual assassin in that he has feelings. He definitely isn't a cold blooded killer. He has a conscience. And even though he is a farmer by trade, he is smart and learns new things very quickly." • Though each book is a stand-alone novel, LONGSHOT INTO THE WEST, has its starting point just a few weeks after the first book in the series ends. It is the second book in the series.

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Customer Reviews

I enjoyed this book, especially all the history that was included. For the most part well written despite the several typos I ran across-which should have been found before publishing. I felt that the first book was better written.. This was really good until the last chapter and the epilogue for me. it was like the author had more to tell us to pull the story together but he was either on a time line to get the book finished, or just got it finished to finish. I felt dissappointed in the author somehow the way those last pages were written. Other than that, I enjoyed the stories in the two books

Keith Baker's tales featuring Longshot are pleasurable reads. His subtle interpretations of historical events (e.g. the true nature of Lincoln's "Emancipation Proclamation," the political propaganda that kept the war going) are on target. The role of the Pinkerton Agency was interesting. I'm looking forward to the next book in the series.

Easy read, nice storyline, historical fiction, I liked it a lot! Great job in integrating known people, places and happenings for the period. I haven't read the first in the series but after reading this one I'll backtrack and find it to read! Well written!

This is our second visit with "Longshot" and it is another quick and fun romp, this time to the goldfields of southwestern Montana. The characters are finely drawn, the dialog is believable, and the settings are great. I'm sure my own enjoyment was enhanced by familiarity with these settings but they are nicely backdated to support the story. It is also fun that improbable historical characters pop up in very probable ways. Henry Plummer, especially, gets a markedly different treatment than local history would have. Perhaps an enticement into the next tale? These are fun reads. Hurry with the next one Keith, but do so with your proper sense of the history intact!

Pretty close attention to accuracy while spinning a fictional Western/Period piece. The hero shows what the "Real" masculine hero of the era would act true to his principles, gallant, willing to sacrifice his own dreams to help others in need. - a great story!

Baker tells an easy-to-read story of the early frontier and a bit of the old west in a most enjoyable manner. Some death and challenges mixed with evolving lives of several generations make this a delightful read and worth the time spent.

I was captivated by this wonderful story of American History as well as the author's End Notes. It's stories like this that make history come alive and help me to personally relate to the life and times of our past.

If you like historical fiction and westerns, this is a blend of both. The author crafts believable characters in addition to using actual people he has researched to enhance the story. Characters, society, history and cultural values make this a believable work. My favorite parts involve the holistic healing of the native Americans and the medical portions overall.

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