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Tyler Jackson, former paramedic now firefighter, has seen her share of death up close. The death of her wife caused Tyler to rethink her career choices, but the death of her mother two weeks later cemented her return to the ranks of firefighter. Her path of self-destruction and womanizing is just a front to hide the heartbreak and devastation she lives with every day. Tyler's given up on finding love and having the family she's always wanted. When tragedy strikes her life for a second time she finds something she thought she lost.

Ashley Henderson loves her job. Ignoring her mother's advice, she opts for a career in law enforcement. But, Ashley hides a secret that soon turns her life upside down. Shame, guilt and fear keep Ashley from venturing forward and finding the love she so desperately craves. Her life comes crashing down around her in one swift moment forcing her to come clean about her secrets and her life.

Can two women thrust together by one traumatic event survive and find love together, or will their past force them apart?

Broken Shield Details

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Donna says

Who doesn't like a cop and a firefighter

So, who doesn't like a cop and a firefighter story. Great story about both. Both damaged but together they can heal.

Kennedy says

You cannot overcome life tragedies alone. The two main characters needed each other to overcome very difficult events in their life. Liked the slow romantic build up.

MJS says

I got this book as a gift and only made it to the end of the book through sheer will. As others have noted it's badly edited, which I may have been able to overlook if the characters were engaging, the story had been believable or the writing was good. That the author thanks her beta readers and editor in the acknowledgements makes this even more unfortunate.

I found Tyler unlikeable for the most part, where I'm sure I was supposed to find her at least somewhat sympathetic. As another reviewer has pointed out, it also contains a trope that annoys me greatly, whereby a main character can be incredibly injured and still have sex. Please. I shouldn't have been surprised though since Isabella uses just about every cliché there is.

The cover hits on another pet peeve, why is it necessary to have a half naked woman on the cover of a book, is the target audience 15 year old boys? If this is what can be expected of stories by Sapphire Books, I'll be skipping anything else they publish.

I would urge you all to spend your money on books by Cate Culpepper, Gerri Hill or Georgia Beers instead, that'd be money much better spent.

Wimfest says

Will review soon

Erin says

Like all the Isabella stories I have read, Broken Shield did not disappoint in terms of new and exciting

characters with a lot of chemistry and an interesting story to move them along. Tyler Jackson a hardcore paramedic seeking adrenaline rushes to avoid dealing with her tragic past is the perfect compliment to Ashley Henderson a cop who is on the straight line to success. The first encounters these two women have are unforgettable! What better way to make a good first impression than to give someone you recently met a speeding ticket! The attraction that sizzles and pops from the beginning is a great reason to pick up the book. However, one of the topics that Isabella introduces is a reason why you won't easily forget it. Broken Shield touches on some cutting edge topics, and I am truly impressed with how well Isabella presents them. Broken Shield is another Isabella winner.

Agirlcandream says

3.5 stars.

Nice traditional romance. The characters are predictable but interesting. Each is facing challenges and doing a poor job of moving on with their lives. The event that finally throws them together is a bit over the top but this is fiction so anything is possible.

While there are some hot scenes, I actually enjoyed the slow build in their relationship. A lot of emphasis was placed on touching. Touching hands, faces and just an overall quiet communication and acceptance by the two protagonists. An early work by this author, but a sweet romantic read.

ISA SIMONET says

Great book as usual with Isabella. To read.

Jaye Y says

Same issue with a lot of self-pubbed authors: needs many types of editing. Other than that, I guess the story is OK.

Pricelessfem says

I thought this book was great! I love the transformation of the the main character!

CLo says

I enjoyed the few stories I have read from this author and am glad to add this one to the list. Two women in uniform, a crazy ex, and a bit of baggage makes for a good story. I like the author writes and the characters were well enough written that you feel for them. Worth the read. Plus it's available on Scribd

T says

The story was probably 4 stars if not for editing. It was slow starting, but about halfway through when the action began, it was gripping and exciting and turned into the kind of book you stay up all night to see what happens. But it was hurt by typos and editing misses. I understand that nobody is perfect, even a well trained eye needs someone else to give a book a second or third look, or to bounce suggestions off of. I find myself feeling bad that the people the author listed as helping, didn't help enough.

The character creation was great. I just finished another book, and i swear the two leads looked like Tyler and Ashley from this book, because i couldn't get them out of my head. They were strong memorable characters.

Overall, the author gets 5 stars from me for character development, 2 stars for editing (get some beta readers!), 3 stars for story consistency, 4 stars for ending that doesn't suck. Oh, and 3 for hot and steamy, it would have been hotter if it was believable. i couldn't focus on how hot they were together because i couldn't stop thinking how much it must have hurt with injuries and all... Those are all just my opinion of course. others might not look for, or care for such things in a book.

On a side note, i was surprised she also wrote [[ASIN:B0083EOIQM American Yakuza]], which was 5 stars all the way. So if you're looking for a recommendation, i'd go with that one first. Of course, that was a more recent book, and obvious proof that this author has grown and improved. I hope she keeps writing.

Frances Bell says

Good Book

I gave it five stars because it's a good story I can relate with the characters. Losing someone is hard. This book gives you hope. Life goes on you just have to be strong. Good book

wsuds says

the writing is so messy
