

Mindy Phillips Lawrence evokes seminal, intense emotions. We are not merely detached readers interpreting the circumstances of each poem, but we find ourselves entrenched in the moment, living in the skin of the soldier's wife, battlefield adversary, or engaged in the fight ourselves. **One Blue Star** should be required reading for soldiers and their loved ones stationed everywhere.

– **Bev Walton-Porter,**

Editor, *Scribe & Quill*

Author, *Shadows of the Soul*

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– **Dale "Sierra" Seawright,**

Cowboy Poet, Oklahoma

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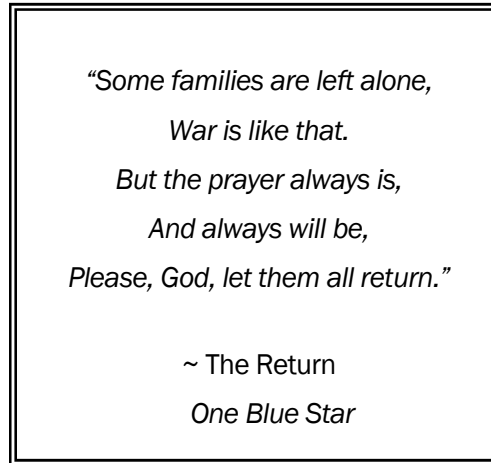
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