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Can Ivy and I move past the heartache that connects us to find a future together?

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diana marcela Ballestas says

Durante los primeros capítulos me recordó mucho 'The Air he breaths' de Britainny C. Cherry, por ese aura lujubre y autodestructiva en el que se encuentra sumido Krane y las erradas formas de gestionar su dolor, igualmente por la extraña relacion que sostiene con Ivy, donde pese a que el esta hecho una piltrafa por la perdida de Zoe logra infundir en ella una fortaleza y un deseo de superación que ni el mismo siente. Lo mismo pasa con Ivy, quien logra sacar a Krane de sus estados de depresión más severos con apenas algunas palabras.

La historia trata un drama profundo generado por la pérdida de un ser muy importante en la vida del protagonista, pero aunque la historia muestra diferentes etapas del duelo, siento que se quedó corto en muchos aspectos, y siento que la relacion de Krane e Ivy no se basó en verdadero cariño sino más en la necesidad de no estar solos y en el deseo de alguien que 'comprendiera' su dolor, de la forma en la que ellos lo sentían, mas que una forma de superar el duelo lo sentí como una codependencia.

Por otra parte Krane hace referencia a la mala relacion de Ivy con su madre, pero en ninguna parte lo vi tratar de hacer un esfuerzo para mejorar su propia relacion con sus padres y su hermana, con el único con el que decide recuperar la relacion es con su mejor amigo, y más impulsado por Ivy que por un deseo propio.

Me gustó el libro, pero definitivamente no me convenció por completo.

bookmarkbelles says

This book was perfection!!!

D says

This was my first ever LK Collins book... um why didn't you all tell me I should have read her stories a long time ago?

First off, I don't know how many of you pay attention to book titles or if this impacts whether or not you will read something but I love this title. So much significance to the story-- not just from the beginning situation but throughout the entire story. 3 is such a significant number for so many things in life and it fits perfectly for this story.

I enjoyed how Collins set the pace of the story right from the first few pages. She sucked me in wondering where she was going to go with Krane's journey and how Ivy would truly fit in the bigger picture. Because honestly, I wasn't convinced I was going to like where she was headed with their relationship. But here's where I can't believe I haven't read anything from her sooner because amidst my doubts, she managed to make a believer out of me and embrace Krane and Ivy. Collins made me see that yes, Krane and Ivy could be a something, could make us fall in love with their journey of healing, that love doesn't pick and choose who you fall for or find a deeper connection with. She made me see that love is often in the most unsuspecting places.

Often when reading romance, I find authors create a juxtaposition between the characters ages and how they

behave. It made me happy to see that while Krane and Ivy had to "get their sh!t together" there were things that kept them true to their early 20's. Their initial ways of dealing with the hand they were dealt would be exactly how I picture that particular age group to do so. I know that this may seem trivial but it makes a big deal in the overall vibe of the story. It also made the story much more viable and true.

The story flowed well and the characters fit with the story line.

3 Breaths definitely won't be my last LK Collins book.

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Leo (Queen of the Rants and the Crazy) says

Aren't there anymore women that you have to sleep with your dead fiancé sister or Aren't there more storylines that authors can't write about anything else

Lea ★ says

4 stars*****

This is a powerful, emotional story of loss, recovery, hope and finding happiness at last.

Most of all, it is a story about life.

Two broken people healing each other one step at the time.

I was hooked from the prologue, and read it one sitting.

KAT ? Kitty Kats Crazy About Books ? says

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AUTHOR: L.K. Collins

GENRE: Contemporary Romance

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MY RATING

A quick, Emotionally, Intense, Riveting Read

"3 Breaths will make your heart skip a beat while falling for the bad boy that you know you shouldn't."

3 Breaths kicks off with Zoe taking her final 3 Breaths on the subway train home after a heavy night out drinking with friends, and celebrating their engagement party.

Nothing is guaranteed in life, everything could end tomorrow.

Zoe starts convulsing violently in Krane's arms, her eyes are rolled back into her head, spittle and blood foaming from her mouth, her breathing is labored, then suddenly she stills, Krane stands there counting her breaths..**One...Two...Three** and then **NOTHING..**

My life is plagued with the images of Zoe dying in front of me in my arms.

To **5 months later** Krane's life is on a fast downward spiral of booze and fighting, life has just stopped still, he's not moved on from the loss, the heartache pulls him under a thick dark cloud of despair on a daily basis that he struggles to get out from under, the only person who seems to understand his struggle is Zoe's sister Ivy.

Everything happens for a reason.

Each moment, each breath, each second is all I can focus on moving through.

Apart Ivy and Krane were two lost broken souls, together they became whole, through heartache came love, this was how it was always meant to be.

"My heart was broken for so long before you. But now I have a purpose. You're my reason for existence, you have shown me what it's like to love again. I know our love is just beginning, but we found each other for a reason"

MY THOUGHTS

Such a unique bitter sweet story, one minute your broken hearted along with Krane over his devastating loss of Zoe his Fiance, and then the next minute your rooting for Ivy and Krane..

I liked how it was a slow build up with these two I just wish the book was a bit longer, I'm a fairly slow reader and I read it in one sitting..

Coco.V says

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Carissa says

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This one quote has epitomized the essence of this book. That change, is ever constant and time waits for no one. 3 Breaths is an emotional tale of turmoil, rage and heartbreak. One that will have you fighting to survive yourself.

After the untimely death of his fiancée, Krane Hensley became a shell of a man. Fighting to survive, to breathe, while surviving to fight. His dreams became a brutal reality of inner war, that he unleashed upon his opponents.

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Krane battled daily with the death of his one true love, going through the motions of each day, grieving and months later, he still cannot come to terms with Zoe's death. He cannot even see himself moving on. Finding someone else to ease his pain, is a difficult pill to swallow. No one seems to understand his grief, definitely not his family. They can not understand why he keeps wallowing in self pity.

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Zoe's sister, Ivy is the only person that helps Krane through his grief. They help each other. Because Ivy is having the same turmoil running through her. Coming to terms with her sister's death is even harder for her, and she found many different reasons to 'beat' herself up about. Not being a good enough sister. Not keeping in touch more. Being too busy to hang out. Ivy was slowly self destructing and her twin partner in grief, Krane, was barely hanging on.

Together, Ivy and Krane found love through devastating circumstances, and while they will never forget Zoe, they learnt to move on and to cherish her memory.

Ivy and Krane's coupling wasn't easy. These two, mostly Krane couldn't understand why he had these feelings for Ivy. For Zoe's sister. She would have been his sister - in- law. But, faith had another plan for them. It was as if Zoe was looking over them from above.

This was such a bitter sweet tale of love lost, and a connection formed through grief and heartache.

***ARC provided by the author for an honest review* Thanks!!**

Shayna says

You know the books that get your heart pumping faster and faster with each turn of the page? The kind of read that hits every one of your emotional buttons? The kind of book that makes everything else around you disappear? Well, 3 BREATHS by LK Collins was that book for me. We are metaphorically slapped in the face with immense love and adoration and then punched in the gut with complete fucking heartbreak.

This is an absolute gut wrenching romance about two broken souls healing each other one day at a time. It's about finding a small speck of sunshine in the middle of a disastrous storm. It's about finding that one person who can calm you with just a touch. It's about finding your happily ever after when you don't think you were meant for one. THIS is about finding a second chance at love where you least expect it. I completely and irrevocably fell in love with Krane and Ivy's story.

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Debbie I Heart YA Books says

I love so many things about this beautiful love story, 3 Breaths. First, the heartbreakingly accurate portrait of how the death of a loved one steals your own life away from you. Krane lost the love of his life, the person who was his very reason for living. The second is L.K. Collins awesome writing. She's a talented storyteller. I love when an author can actually create an amazing storyline without doing what so many other authors do, and that is play off the miscommunication between the hero and heroine. When an author uses lack of communication between the two main characters as a plot device, or as a way to create tension, I just want to scream. The third is Krane and Ivy are two amazing characters. Krane being the strong, carefree, bad boy MMA fighter, to see and feel his brokenness after loosing the love of his life, totally ripped my heart to pieces. And the same for Zoe; her tenderness and beauty touched my heart. And then when Krane and Ivy came to realize their love for each other, that after the death of Zoe leaving them destroyed and empty, that for Krane he could have a second chance at love, a love that can fill the hole of emptiness in his heart. And for Ivy finding her first love in a man she least expected to find it, the one she never believed could be the love of her life. Yes, 3 Breaths was a beautiful, touching story about loss, pain, hope and that you can find love again in last person you would think you would find it in. I highly recommend 3 Breaths as a must read. Thank you L.K. Collins

