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Charlie & Drake just want a getaway, a weekend in a lakeside cabin. But within hours Charlie has found a new mystery. A showplace home near the small town of Watson's Lake, New Mexico, blew sky high a few years ago, a woman died, and the home's owner went missing. The case was never solved and Charlie discovers a complex web of deceit as she unravels the clues.

"Another delicious read for the beach." -The Pilot, Southern Pines, N.C

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Gerry says

A splendid suspenseful mystery which has Private Investigator Charlie Parker, an extremely likeable heroine, wondering whodunnit until the very end. Not surprising since she is investigating a case four years old but all the characters give signs of innocence - that is until Charlie suddenly realises what is going on.

Nancee says

Female Albuquerque private investigator Charlie Parker becomes involved in a four year old unsolved mystery in the small town Watson's Lake, New Mexico. Involves the mysterious disappearance of David Simmons and the suspicion that he burned down his home in which his housekeeper died. Charlie was hired by David Simmons' daughter, Amanda, and her husband Jake, a genetic researcher to find the truth. Number 10 in the series.

Grey853 says

Charlie is on vacation with her husband when she's approached by a woman who wants her to find her missing father. Four years ago his house burned down with a maid inside. He disappeared and is the primary suspect in arson and murder. Of course, the daughter is convinced of his innocence.

I liked Charlie's character a lot and the mystery part is okay, but I knew from the start who did what. Still, it was a good read.

Morgan says

Charlie Parker is just trying to enjoy a little vacation with her husband Drake when that talent for finding a mystery kicks in. While reading a paper Charlie notices a story in it about a mysterious fire at a local millionaire's house that left his house keeper dead and him nowhere to be found. Soon enough the daughter of the missing man shows up asking Charlie if she can look into the murder again since the local police department consisting of one hasn't made any progress in the four years since the murder. Charlie begins to investigate and soon finds the millionaire wasn't all that he seemed to be. With more suspects than answers and millions of dollars from a medical project that the murdered man was working on with his daughter's husband, Charlie needs to find out who the murderer is before their obsession turns into her murder.

This was a pretty good mystery, the only thing that was bad to me was that from the beginning of the book there are only really two suspects and once the one is removed about half way through the book it's only interesting to see how the author reveals who killed the millionaire and how he gets caught. The one thing I really like about this book is it does not rely on sex and violence to tell the story, it relies on the interaction with the characters. More like Matlock and Diagnosis Murder than CSI or some of the other mystery shows on today. I would recommend this to any one who likes light mysteries that are short fast reads.

Connie says

Disclaimer: I am the author of this book. While on a long weekend to the small town of Watson's Lake, Charlie learns of an unsolved case. Four years earlier a showplace home blew sky high, killing a woman, and the home's owner vanished. Now his daughter would like to find him, and the local sheriff would like to solve the murder.

Lorraine says

SUMMARY: The town of Watson's Lake has a little unsolved mystery. Four years ago, a showplace home--beautiful and serene and tucked away in the mountains of New Mexico--blew sky high, due to an apparent gas leak. A young woman died. The owner disappeared. His gold-digging wife wants the insurance money, and his daughter wants to know what happened to her father. Charlie can't resist this kind of investigation... As she sifts through the clues, Charlie finds that the residents of the small lakeside town seem to know more than they're willing to say--including the sheriff. The more Charlie learns, the more mysterious the missing David Simmons becomes. Could David have intentionally abandoned his family, or is there a more sinister reason for his disappearance? "In this long-running but still too-little-known series, Shelton continues to combine suspenseful storytelling with sensitive portrayals of complex family relationships.

REVIEW: This is my second Charlie Parker Mystery and I enjoyed it as well as the first one. Enough twists, turns, and suspects to keep the reader thinking they know "who done it" and then maybe get surprised at the end. I like the small town setting and found the grandmotherly town sheriff quite interesting. I will be reading more books from this series.
