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Angels Along My Path Of Thorns

An Incredible True Story of Hope, Courage, and Perseverance

/24-7PressRelease/ - April 29, 2008 - How could anyone endure kidnapping, rape, and abuse as a teenager and not come out a broken person? In *Angels Along My Path Of Thorns* Guatemalan author Gabriela A. Folgar de Shea tells the touching tale of her survival from unimaginable horrors and of her steely resistance to all adversity, driven by her will to survive.

Vividly covering the period from 1960 to 1964 *Angels Along My Path Of Thorns* details the atrocities that nearly broke Gabriela Shea in this deceptively beautiful place where human rights do not exist and women and children are treated like sub-humans. Shockingly the stranger who abducted her and whom she was forced to marry was not her only problem - Mrs. Shea had to battle other terrible forces much closer to home.

"Written with such clear and concise prose and embellished with many photos and maps pertaining to the story, the reader feels as if they are sitting with the author and receiving a lesson on women's lifestyle in the Guatemalan society," says Mary Menzel of www.BookHuntersBlog.com

Instead of getting bogged down in political rhetoric *Angels Along My Path Of Thorns* is filled with hope and humbles everyone who reads it, despite all the horrors depicted in it, although it wasn't easy for Mrs. Shea to revisit these events. "Some events were extremely hard and brought a lot of tears to my eyes and I was only able to continue writing with my husband's support, encouragement and understanding; this gave me the power to continue," she said in an interview with www.BookHuntersBlog.com.

Gabriela Shea's motivation is not fame, but to raise awareness of these problems that persist even today; and to help others who have survived extreme adversity and have trouble moving forward. She truly is a heroine in disguise. As Mrs. Shea puts it "I do not like playing the role of a victim and I would not allow myself to be sorry for my misfortune for the rest of my life. That would mean that my kidnapper would have continued having control of my life and I was not going to allow for that to happen."

About the book:

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