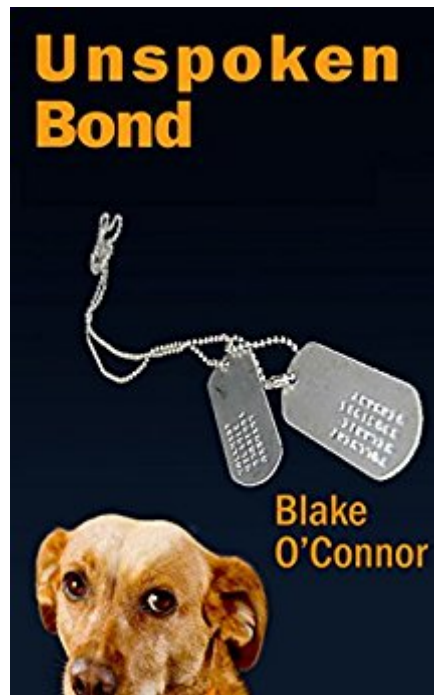




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"Selected for 's POWERED by Indie: Celebrating Great Writing!"An reviewer says: "I truly enjoyed this beautifully told and emotional story. Blake stole my heart with her story from the opening paragraph right through to the close."A judge of a major metropolitan writing contest says: "Smooth, fluid prose, with a strong emotional hook." • Based on a true event, Unspoken Bond is an award-winning, heart-warming story about how one unselfish act can have far reaching and lifelong consequences. It's a celebration of the unspoken bond between a man and his dog, and the timeless bond between two people, held together by a whisper of a touch. University senior David Hess doesn't know what's wrong with him. He's been skipping school, getting into fights, his grades slip to barely passing, and he has broken up with his fiancée. After he rescues an abandoned dog on a lonely stretch of country back road, things start to look up—that is, until he is blindsided by a crippling tragedy. Along his journey to recovery, a girl he met by chance keeps haunting his dreams and his thoughts. But there's a problem—he doesn't even know her name. Emma Taylor is lamenting her turn in life: almost divorced, lousy job, no family, and no one to share her life with. She sits alone in her apartment thinking about her upcoming deployment, and about a boy she met. Who is he? Where is he? Why can't she stop thinking about him? And so begins a story about the love of two people transcending time and tragedy, and about the love of a dog that will never be forgotten |

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Customer Reviews

I am giving this novel 5 stars even though I have a problem with it. I had the most difficult time trying to do the math when David Jr. says that Joe was his dog back in 2012, almost 50 years ago.

Knowing that this is not 2060 or thereabout, I was a slight bit bewildered or was thinking I might be in the Twilight Zone. All that aside, I liked the novel very much, it was an awesome story and I loved the karma.

Fantastic book! Moving, kept me riveted and into the story. Great for dog lovers for sure. Highly recommend it. Please write more books!

This is a book to be read and reread. It pulls at your heart and soul. The love between a dog and his master is truly remarkable. I like that it is novel about a person's life, not just the love story. The story of life and it's great circle. It makes you think about the choices you have for a spouse, a pet and friends. What is important, why I feel that way, who am I, those are the questions that come to mind in this story.

Enjoyed the story. It almost got too harlequin novel like for me but it quickly returned to a descent story. Of course I cried at the end m

Unspoken Bond is a great story. I could barely put the book down until I finished it. I loved the way the author started the story at the end and then told the story. I've seen that technique before but never better than in this story. Blake O'Connor is excellent at character development (for the humans and the dog, Joe). I thought about this story even when I wasn't reading it and it made an impression on me that I won't soon forget. It reminded me of another superb book about a dog and a human, One Good Dog by Susan Wilson. These two books are similar in some ways and both are great stories. I liked the caring for Joe expressed in this book and the author's belief that dogs have souls. I completely agree. As Will Rogers said, "If there are no dogs in heaven, then when I die I want to go where they go". Read Unspoken Bond.

Can't judge a book by its cover -- still true. I expected more of a dog story, but the book was more about the character David Hess and how his life was impacted by an abandoned dog. The dog was pivotal to the story however. I was pleasantly surprised that this was not a "tear jerker" as many dog stories are. A little bit predictable, but hey, I like it when the good guys prevail. I have to agree with another reviewer that there were many coincidental events that might be a little hard to buy, but all in all, a good pleasant read. I happen to share the author's view that dogs have a soul, and that one day we will be re-united with our beloved friends as well as other loved ones.

A quick, enjoyable read. The story was a little predictable, as were the character personalities. Unspoken Bond is mostly about how the presence of a special dog influenced situations rather than being a story with a dog as the central character. I especially liked the first part of the book that was written mostly through the dog's perspective. The writing is 'clean cut' meaning that it is an appropriate read for nearly any adult. I've already recommended it to a book club of modest, elderly readers. I'm sure they will like it.

This story deserves 5 stars. This story had my interest from the first page. The details and description, along with the interesting characters whose lives intertwine, make a book I didn't want to put down. I am an animal lover and believe that they come into our lives, like angels, for a purpose. I enjoyed how the author lets the reader listen to the thoughts of the dog, Joe, along with the other characters. This story includes love and loss, courage, and intrigue. It is a heartwarming book that I highly recommend.

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