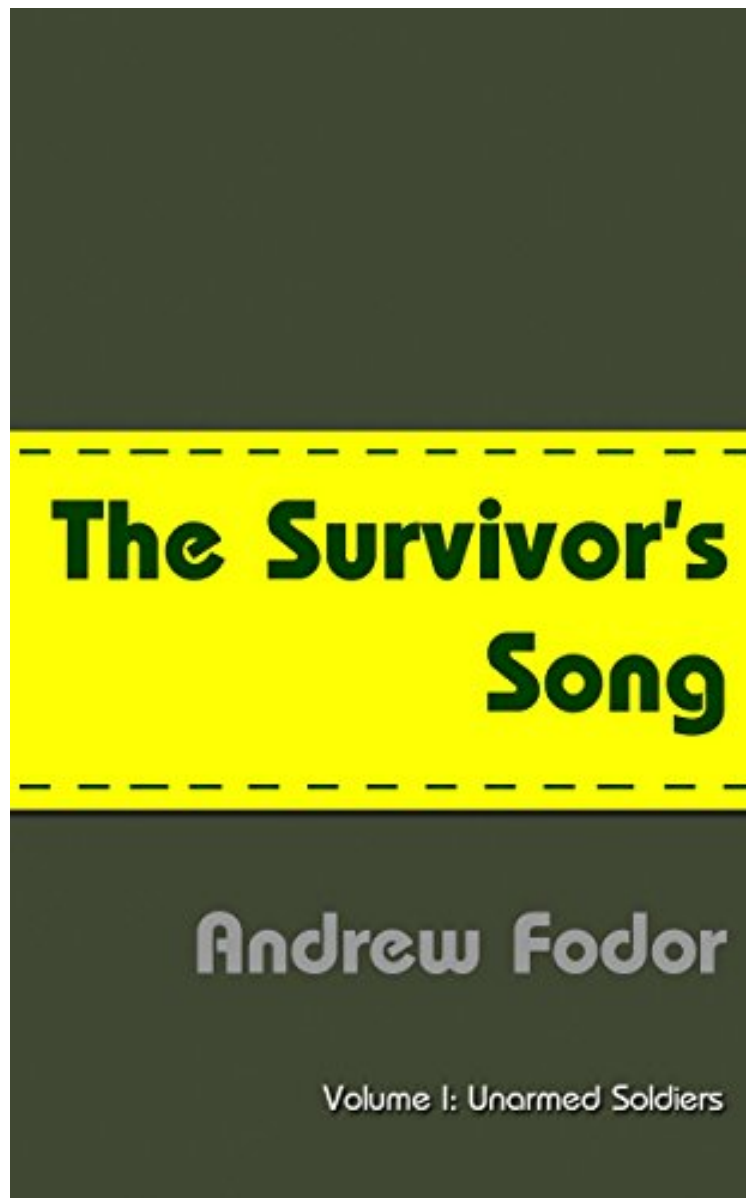


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Sehr empfehlenswert! Von Cyberpastor Da ein Jude, in diesem Fall ein ungarischer, die Hitler-Zeit überlebt hat, ist als solches schon ungewöhnlich genug. Aber Fodor Andras, wie er ursprünglich hieß, verbrachte diese Zeit nicht etwa in einem Versteck. Wie so viele andere ungarische Juden, wurde er von der ungarischen Armee eingezogen, und zwar in eine Zwangsarbeiter-Kompanie mit der Nummer 101/10. Sie bestand ursprünglich aus 330 Mann, von denen nur 30 lebend zurückkehrten. Diese Männer folgten den für Deutschland kämpfenden ungarischen Truppen und waren unbewaffnet. Ursprünglich fuhr Fodor einen Lastwagen, der Treibstoff für die drei (!) einzigen ungarischen Panzer transportierte. Später wurde er einmal sogar ein Minenfeld mit roten Fahnen begrenzen, dessen Ausmaße nur ungefähr bekannt waren. So kam er bis Stalingrad. Er geriet immer wieder in Lebensgefahr. Durch Intelligenz, Kaltblütigkeit, eine gehörige Portion Chuzpe und viel Glück (aber in Wirklichkeit wohl eher durch die Bewahrung Gottes) konnte er schließlich, nur leicht verletzt, in das heimatische Budapest zurückkehren, wo er das Kriegsende erlebte - auch das immer wieder in höchster Gefahr. Er schildert das alles sehr anschaulich, spannend und mit dem unvergleichlichen jüdischen Humor. Das Buch ist eine fesselnde, empfehlenswerte Lektüre!

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