

# Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee: The Unforgettable Story of the Fetterman Massacre and Creek Mary Blood

In the annals of American history, the Fetterman Massacre stands as a haunting tale of tragedy, betrayal, and the relentless push westward that defined the 19th century. On December 21, 1866, a detachment of 80 U.S. soldiers, led by Captain William J. Fetterman, was lured into an ambush by a combined force of Lakota, Cheyenne, and Arapaho warriors near Fort Phil Kearny, Wyoming.

## A Tragic Miscalculation



### The Native American Experience: Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee, The Fetterman Massacre, and Creek Mary's Blood by Dee Brown

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The Fetterman Massacre was a direct result of a series of misunderstandings and misjudgments. Captain Fetterman, known for his arrogance and recklessness, had repeatedly ignored Free Downloads from his superiors to avoid engaging the Native Americans in battle. He believed that a small detachment of cavalry could easily defeat any force the Indians could muster.

On that fateful day, Fetterman and his men were lured away from the fort by a group of decoy warriors. As they pursued the Indians into a valley known as the Rosebud, they fell into a carefully laid trap. Hundreds of warriors emerged from the surrounding hills, surrounding the soldiers and cutting off their retreat.

### **A Desperate Stand**

The Battle of Fetterman's Fight became a desperate and bloody affair. The soldiers fought valiantly, but they were hopelessly outnumbered. The Native Americans, led by Crazy Horse and other legendary warriors, used their superior numbers and knowledge of the terrain to their advantage.

One by one, the soldiers fell until only Captain Fetterman remained. He allegedly killed three Indians before being himself taken down in a fierce hand-to-hand combat.

### **The Aftermath**

The Fetterman Massacre sent shockwaves through the nation. It was one of the worst defeats suffered by the U.S. Army in its history, and it eroded public support for the ongoing Indian Wars.

The massacre had a profound impact on the lives of the Native Americans who had been involved. Many of the warriors who had participated in the battle went on to become leaders in the resistance against further westward expansion.

## **Creek Mary Blood: A Symbol of Resilience**

One of the most compelling figures to emerge from the Fetterman Massacre was Creek Mary Blood. A Lakota woman who had married a white settler, Creek Mary played a pivotal role in the events leading up to the battle.

As a member of the chief's council, Creek Mary had warned Captain Fetterman of the impending attack. However, her warnings were ignored. After the massacre, she worked tirelessly to care for the wounded and comfort the survivors.

Creek Mary Blood's story is a testament to the resilience and strength of the Native American people in the face of adversity.

## **A Timeless Narrative**

Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee, Dee Brown's Pulitzer Prize-winning masterpiece, is a comprehensive and deeply moving account of the Fetterman Massacre and its aftermath. Published in 1970, the book has become a classic of American literature.

Brown's narrative is both a gripping historical account and a powerful indictment of the U.S. government's treatment of Native Americans. He

meticulously documents the events leading up to the massacre, the battle itself, and the devastating impact it had on both sides.

Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee is a must-read for anyone interested in American history, the Native American experience, or the timeless themes of conflict, resilience, and the search for justice.

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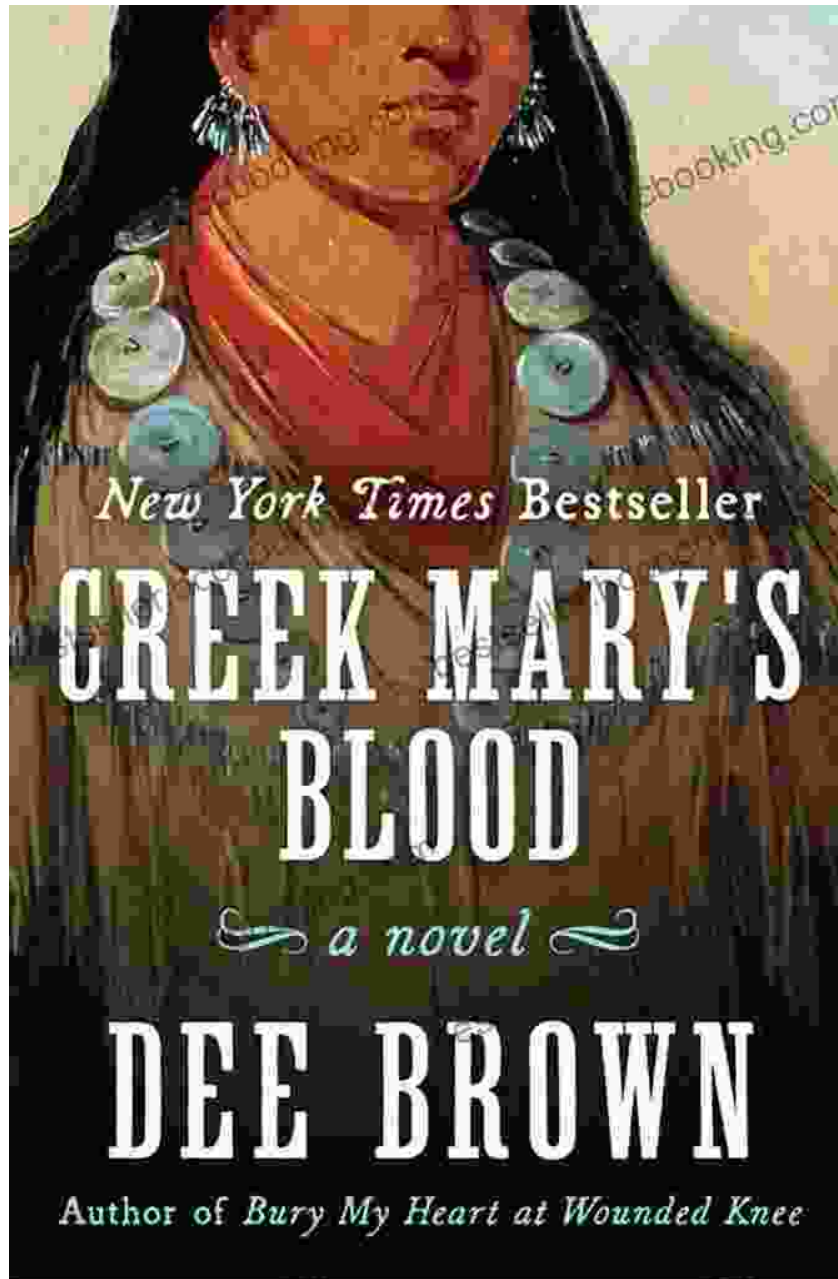
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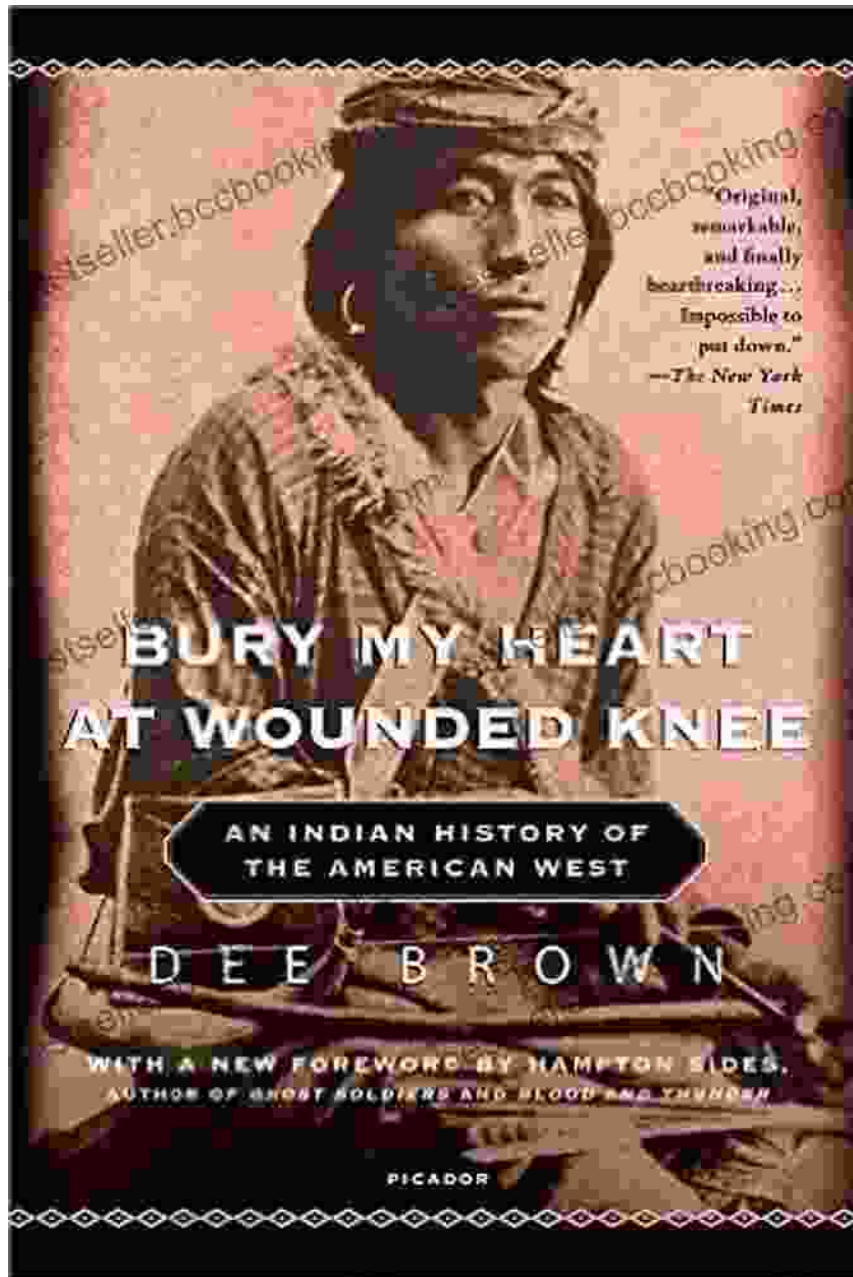
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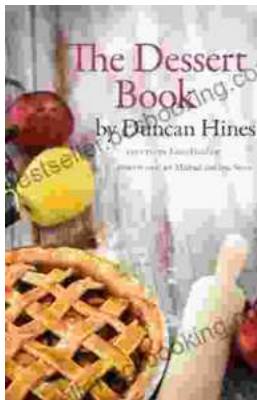
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