

Patty W. Warren, Author

Short Bio:

Patty W Warren is the author of 'Junebug' in the award-winning anthology, *Feisty Deeds: Historical Fictions of Daring Women*. She is working on other short stories and novels. Patty writes stories of everyday women who make decisions in the face of doubt and conflict which change their lives. Her stories are seeded in the South where she grew up and centered around strong women and their family relationships, with a touch of mystery. Patty is a member of the Women's Fiction Writers Association, where she does a weekly newsletter for the Historical Fiction Affinity Zoom Group. She is also a member of the N.C. Writer's Network and the Historical Novel Society. She lives on the southern coast of North Carolina where she enjoys the beach, writing, reading, and several writer's groups. More information about her writing can be found at www.pattywwarren.com.

Long Bio:

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Life interrupted Patty's plans to write by moving their family around the Southeastern United States with her husband's corporate job. She's worked in retail, as a college intern, a Human Resources Director for two home health agencies and volunteered for non-profit positions. When her family moved back to North Carolina in 2003, she and her husband bought a small business and worked together for over 16 years until they sold it and retired.

Her desire to write pushed against her like a physical force the whole time and after they settled in North Carolina again, she couldn't find the right direction. However her daughter suggested she start a blog. So, she did, and blogged book reviews while she dusted off her writing skills. Now, Patty is writing novels and short stories. She has several in the works and one finished manuscript which she hopes to share with you soon.

Patty has a BSBA in Business from East Carolina University. In her position as a President of her daughter's PTA, she met many nice women who she shared hard work and fun with, all while growing the stories in her imagination. As her circle of three moved around, they gathered friends and learned new traditions. They purchased their small business because they wanted to be closer to family and available to help their parents as they aged. During that time, Patty and her husband ran their sign company together and she feels her time was well spent listening to the stories of their customers and finding creative ways to help them promote their business.

Now, Patty is concentrating on her writing and pursuing the advice she received in a fortune cookie her first year back in North Carolina. It read, "Someday you will write a book," and now she has written two. Patty writes stories of strong women and their family relationships usually include a touch of mystery. She's a member of the Women's Fiction Writers Association, where she serves on the Historical Fiction Affinity Zoom Group Committee and produces a weekly newsletter. She is also a member of the N.C. Writer's Network and the Historical Novel Society. She lives on the southern coast of North Carolina where she enjoys the beach, writing, reading, and several terrific writer's groups. More information about her writing can be found at www.pattywarren.com.