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After the sudden death of her husband, Minda Hobbs returns to Angel Heights, S.C., the home of her forebears, to seek peace and purpose in her life. Instead, she finds her n'er-do-well cousin Otto as cold and stiff as yesterday's grits in the ladies' room at the historic Minerva Academy.

Shocked by her cousin's murder and still grieving over the loss of her husband, Minda has mixed emotions when she's greeted by her guardian angel, Augusta Goodnight. Shimmering with church window radiance, and smelling of strawberry jam, Augusta is a temp who's come on a double mission-to help Minda solve Otto's murder and to take care of unfinished business from an assignment in 1916.

Even though Otto could be unbearable at times, an annoying laugh is hardly cause for murder. Minda's only lead is a tiny gold pin, found wedged in a Minerva Academy bathroom stall, and its connection to a club called the Mystic Six. Together, Minda and Augusta trace the descendants of this secret society, piecing together clues that lead to a special quilt and the mystery behind Cousin Otto's unfortunate demise.

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Jocelyn says

I read to the end so I guess that means I actually liked it somewhat. It's short and I like a good mystery, but it wasn't interesting enough that I would want to read it again in the future.

Raven R. (AvalonReadsBooks) says

I wasn't really wowed about this book.

Maybe because the person doing all the killing, well one kill and then a bunch of maiming and attempts to kill again, was just plain crazy. Maybe because the person who caused all this died before he could see justice. Maybe because everyone I wanted to see happy was already dead. Maybe because other then for one moment, that angel was all but useless.

I didn't like our main character. I get she was at the end of her grief, but for it to be in the forefront of her whiny little mind at the beginning and then to vanish twenty pages later was rather strange to me. You don't just snap your fingers and stop mourning, it doesn't work like that, help from an angel or no.

Also the mystery and the attempts to solve it were juvenile and if it weren't for the angel whispering little hints along the way no one would have figured it out and the crazy person would have got them all.

But other then that, it was well written and I got through the book relatively quickly. It was moderately enjoyable when I wasn't frustrated with the main character but I wouldn't read any more in this series.

Michelle says

I enjoy these Augusta Goodnight mysteries.

Georgiann Hennelly says

Minda Hobbs returns to her home town of Angel Heights, South Carolina. to find some purpose in her life after the death of her husband. she finds her cousin Otto dead in the girls bathroom of the historic Minerva Academy an all girls school that is now like a museum. she also meets her guardian angel Augusta Goodnight. next to otto she found a pin . when attempts are made on her life after she starts asking questions about the pin . she finds out it was a secret girls society. and they also made a quilt. which somehow tells a story . she must solve the murder of Otto who it turns out knew something he wasn't supposed to. . which is why he was murdered. its an excellant read. keeps you interested from page one

Dallas Hayden says

Liked this book. Can definitely get spooky while you try to figure out what the angel is all about, but a fun read and well done mystery.

Mailis Viinand says

Who doesn't love the idea of guardian angels. That mixed together with an enormous family and relatives full of nutcases, eccentrics, and other animals, add a bit of mystery to the mix that takes place in the past and present and voila you have this book. It did not rock my world, but some of it was warm and funny, so i liked it.

Susie says

I gave it a five for what it was and what it fulfilled. It is a light, quick read, funny, and irreverent. There is no blood or gore. No vampires, no blood sucking, no frozen bodies. But there was one great wonderful guardian angel that goes by the name of Augusta Goodnight. she cooks like a dream and pushes Minda in the right way so she never chooses the wrong path. After all isn't that what guardian angels are supposed to do?

Margaret says

Angelic!

A fun mystery with just enough fear and joy. A thumping good, divine read for any one. Try it out.

Megan Kelosiwang says

Kinda sweet, kinda interesting. I did like the unusual storyline and well rounded characters. Not sure how much the guardian angel contributes but am prepared to start another one to see how it fits.

Ruth Feathers says

Another Augusta Goodnight mystery, this one spanning several generations. Quick, if not easy read. Adult issues discussed.

Mike says

The guardian angel helps someone to help solve a mystery - light and enjoyable.

Trisha says

An Augusta Goodnight mystery (Augusta is an Angel).

Good mystery and easy to read.

We follow Minda Hobbs who returns to her home town, following the death of her husband, Jarvis, who was struck by lightning. she has come home to seek solace with her family.

But she discovers her cousin, Otto, dead in the ladies toilet at the historic Minerva Academy.

Minda then sets out to discover why Otto was murdered and along the way, uncovers family secrets that have been hidden for many years.

Kate says

Nice fluffy mystery with an angel to boot.... seems like a good series if you want light mystery without the gore.

Mandolin says

Temporarily filling in for Minda Hobbs' guardian angel, Augusta Goodnight is determined to help Minda discover the truth behind the recent murder of her cousin and its connection with mysterious events that occurred generations before in the small South Carolina town of Angel Heights. Minda, still grieving over the loss of her husband, had hoped to find peace in her childhood town. In order to do that, though, she must first help Augusta settle long-unresolved debts from her family's past. Minda is certain that her cousin's death is somehow connected to the secret society of private school girls known as the Mystic Six. Their flower-shaped pins and missing quilt are somehow at the core of the mystery. Will Minda be able to uncover the group's secret before someone else is killed? If August has anything to say about it, she will and she may even find someone to help heal her heart at the same time.

I can't help but like a book whose introductory sentence is "Things got off to a rotten start when I found Cousin Otto dead in the ladies' room." Although the writing at the onset of the book is a bit lackluster, the plot and characters are just interesting enough to hold the reader's attention until the middle, when the pace picks up and the book becomes truly interesting. Augusta's quirky malapropisms and a nicely complex mystery combine to make this a very satisfying read. Though it's not the best cozy I've read in a while, it was entertaining and I'm looking forward to the next installment in the series!
