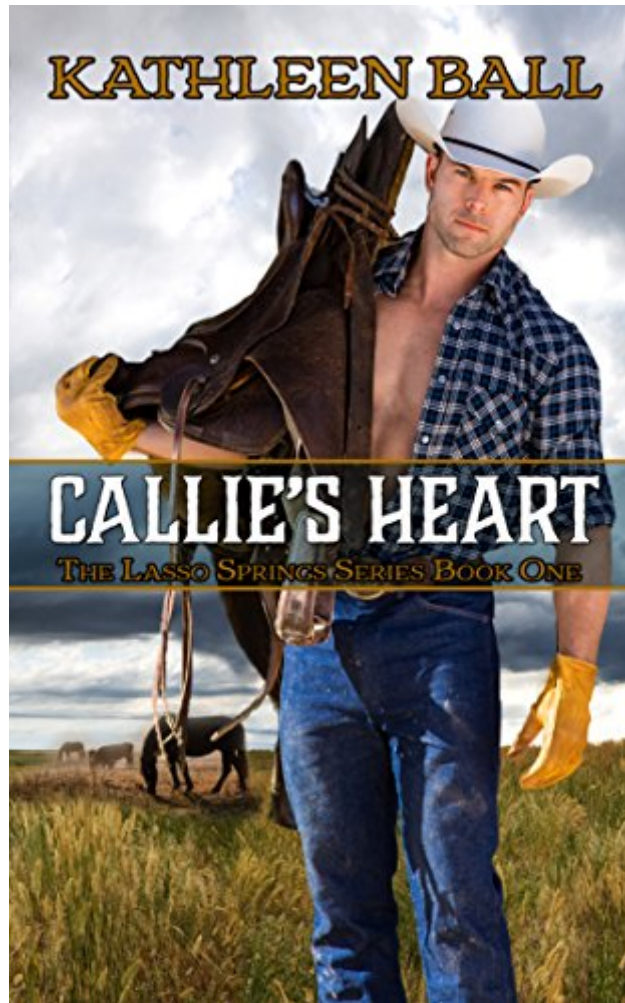




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Callie's Heart (Lasso Springs Book 1)



Synopsis

Callie Daniels' mother has one dying wish. She wants neighboring rancher, Garrett O'Neill, to marry her seventeen year old daughter. It's not supposed to be a conventional marriage. Garrett O'Neill would keep Callie's ranch safe and Callie would go away to college. Four years later, Callie comes home with stars in her eyes and happily ever after in her heart. She plans to make their marriage real until finds the new housekeeper, Sylvie in Garrett's arms. Heartbroken, Callie takes off to her own house, which they closed up four years ago. She stays there with Old Henry, a longtime friend and ranch hand, until her new horse injures her. Garrett forces Callie to move back in to his house. Callie finally gets her heart's desire. Alone in a line shack, they make sweet love for the first time. Unfortunately the love light is gone from Garrett's eyes the next morning.

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Customer Reviews

A mother is dying; she doesn't want anything to happen to her ranch while her daughter is in college, so she makes a deal with a man she trusts. He marries her daughter and takes care of the ranch for her. Callie and Garrett have known each other all their lives. Callie comes home after

graduation thinking to make her marriage a real one! But someone is interfering with the running of their ranches, killing off cows, cutting down fences and then, murder! This storyline is complex and will hold your attention. The love story is a roller coaster ride of intense emotions, while two people try to figure out what to do with a marriage of convenience. Garrett thinks he is too old for Callie; Callie is madly in love with Garrett. He behaves like an ass, confusing and even cruel. Callie cries constantly as she thinks Garrett cares for her one moment, and an hour later he's being a jerk. This story stands alone well and there is no cliffhanger. There are typos, but the biggest problem with the editing is the improper use of commas. For instance, "Don't be, a sissy." This is a frequent distraction. Happily, the story has just enough surprises and warmth to keep you reading to the end!

I liked the premise of the story. I like strong heroines. Callie had moments of strength, but she cried too much for my liking. It's like she would cry at the drop of a hat. She's 21 and seasoned rancher in Texas, but yet couldn't really get control over her emotions. She's thinks Garret is cheating in one moment, and she's having sex the very next moment. Next, what happened to Old Samuel? Was he convicted of trying to kill them. How is Garrett so understanding and forgiving of a person who shoots him and the woman he loves.

Great story about how two people are put together in an unusual circumstances and love prevails. Nanny and her ability to understand humans to the point of going anywhere anytime is beyond funny. Kept the story light and funny. Callie and Garrett had a lot of growing up to do as individuals and as a couple. Love certainly threw them some curve balls that they worked through.

A dying mother's wish brings Callie and Garrett O'Neill together in marriage. Callie is young and her mom knows Garrett will help her with the ranch. Garrett is a good bit older than Callie. Callie goes off to college and Garrett runs both ranches. Callie has always loved Garrett but he sees her as a little girl. When she graduates and comes home to Garrett, she gets a rude awakening. Garrett is in the arms of another girl and Callie walks in on them. Thus starts our story and you will have to buy the book and read it. I couldn't put it down until I finished it. It is a wonderful story and good read.

This book took a while to get interesting. I was more interested in who was sabotaging Garrett and Callie, than I was in Garrett and Callie. The story finally picked up when you were trying to find out who was involved. I have read other books by Kathleen Ball that I felt were better than this one. I will finish the series as I am interested in Stamos

If this was the first time I had read a Kathleen Ball book I would not have gotten past the first pages !!!! Callie is young, innocent and in love but just how many times can she be betrayed ?? Garrett is supposed to be the hero but through much of the book he seems to be just a jerk ...and I even had high hopes for the FBI agent ..I like his character and I hope he shows up later in the series.I love "Old Henry"..he is the one true to Callie the entire time and when I found that Callie's mother had even betrayed her my heart broke for her yet again !!. When the disgusting housekeeper gets hers..I was sorry Callie had not had a chance at some physical revenge first !!! I am glad Callie got her heart's desire at the end and hope Garrett really is the man she hopes he is ..Maybe this book is just building the ground work for future Lasso Springs series

This story has it all. Forever love, though rocky, mystery, danger and heartbreak. An amazing situation with lots of twists and turns. I definitely recommend reading this story.

I loved this book. It sure kept me on my toes. You'll never see the twists and turns coming until they smack you in the face, and I love that. Just when you think you know what's going to happen next in the lives of Callie and Garrett, something major happens and you need to regroup and change direction and your way of thinking, once again. There's a whole lot going on in this book besides romance. There's also....lots of mystery, intrigue,murder, betrayal, destruction, blackmail, attempted murder, hidden agenda's, imposters, and a whole lot more.Callie Daniels lost her father years ago. Now barely out of high school, she loses her mother to cancer, but not before her mother prearranges her marriage to a much older rancher next door, Garrett O'Neill. After the brief ceremony, Callie is sent off to college for four years. Garrett keeps Callie's ranch safe from the nasty oil barrons trying to move in on their land, while she attends college.When Callie returns to Garrett's ranch home, she finds Garrett wrapped around his housekeeper, Sylvie. It tears her heart out to find the two of them in a heated embrace, because she's been secretly in love with the man for years. At first she runs back home to her own ranch, but after thinking about it awhile, she decides to fight for what's rightfully hers, and one of those things is the man she married. But after moving back to his ranch, things start to go array....BIG TIME!!!! loved every single thing about this book, including the secondary characters, especially old Henry. I also fell in love with Nanny, Pirate, Maggie Mae, Billy, and her adoptive momma. Nanny made me laugh so hard so many times with her wild antics, and she was very protective of Callie, too. You'll just have to read this book to find out what I mean by that comment. I promise....you won't be disappointed.

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