

Dedication

This work is dedicated to Walter and Lillian, who bravely shared their story so others might not suffer;

To my five wonderful children: Misti, Dana, Sally, Ashley and Michael who stood by me during all of the long hours it took to complete this project;

To everyone who believed enough in the story and in my ability to bring it to life including my newspaper and book editors, family and friends;

And to every reader whose heart is touched by Walter and Lillian's courage.

May your faith in God be invigorated and your love of life celebrated daily.

*Yours Always,
RuthAnn*