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Editorial Review

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Starred Review Charley Davidson's police-officer father and uncle began consulting her for help in solving murders when she was five years old. Charley has a special gift—she sees and talks to the victims. Her job is to point the recently departed to the light, but those who have been murdered want her to make sure their killers are caught. Charley's latest clients—from-beyond are three personable lawyers, all murdered by the same person at nearly the same time. When she's not helping ghosts with the ultimate closure, Charley is trying to figure out who her sizzling-hot dream lover is. The manuscript for this sassy, sarcastic, sexy novel won the Romance Writers of America's Golden Heart for Best Paranormal Romance. Now Jones' wickedly witty debut will delight aficionados of such humorous paranormals as Casey Daniels' Pepper Martin Mysteries (Don of the Dead, 2006; The Chick and the Dead, 2007; Tombs of Endearment, 2007) and Dakota Cassidy's Accidental Friends series (The Accidental Werewolf, 2008; Accidentally Dead, 2008; The Accidental Human, 2009). Librarians will want to be on the lookout for the next book in Jones' series, *Second Grave on the Left* (2011). --Shelley Mosley

Review

"Sexy, sassy . . . Jones's characters, both living and dead, are colorful and endearing. . . . Cheeky charm . . . sarcastic wit." *The Associated Press*

"Jones's wickedly witty debut will delight aficionados of such humorous paranormals as Casey Daniels's Pepper Martin Mysteries and Dakota Cassidy's Accidental Friends series." *Booklist (starred review)*

"Jones skillfully establishes the novel's setting and keeps up the pace with plenty of action. And let's be honest--the sex is pretty hot, too. Fans of Sherrilyn Kenyon and other authors of paranormal romance will love this series debut." *Library Journal (starred review)*

"Fast-talking Charley's wicked exuberance and lust for life will appeal to fans of MaryJanice Davidson and Janet Evanovich and maybe fill a hole for those mourning the recently canceled *Ghost Whisperer*." *Publishers Weekly*

"Jones makes a truly memorable debut with her unique tale that is sexy, mysterious, and sarcastically fun!" *RT Books Reviews*

"It's a fun, sexy, exciting read." *Suspense Magazine*

"A true paranormal princess has been proclaimed. Bravo Ms. Jones, you have just hit the big time. . . . A brilliant novel . . . Do not walk; run to get your copy of *First Grave on the Right* when it debuts." *Night Owl Reviews*

"This book is full of surprises and fun to be had for all. I barely finished this book and already can't wait to visit with Charley Davidson again in the next novel, *Second Grave on the Left*. *First Grave on the Right* deserves nothing less than a Five Angel, Recommend Read status." *Fallen Angel Reviews*

"Hold on to your hats and get comfortable, you won't want to get up for a long, long time as Charley Davidson sweeps you in and holds on tight." *The Romance Reviews*

“A smashing, award-winning debut novel.” ?*Goodreads*

“In the currently crowded paranormal world, *First Grave on the Right* is a bright beacon of originality. Jones writes with a sharp, addictively acerbic sense of humor, and she combines genres with the carefully controlled precision of a master literary mixologist.” ?*Reader to Reader* . . .

“A fast and fun read [that] will leave you begging for more. *Second Grave on the Left* is due out in August, and I can't wait.” ?*Fresh Fiction*

“This book takes a humorous view on the old Grim Reaper cliché. Charley is a smart, enjoyable character with enough snark to keep one laughing even as the plot darkens.” ?*Affaire de Coeur*

“The best debut novel I've read in years! Hilarious and heartfelt, sexy and surprising . . . I'm begging for the next one!!” ?*J. R. Ward, New York Times bestselling author of Lover Avenged*

“I am furiously envious of Darynda Jones and rue the day she came up with this concept, damn her eyes. *First Grave on the Right* . . . kidnapped me from the first paragraph, and didn't let go until the exceedingly yummy conclusion.” ?*MaryJanice Davidson, New York Times bestselling author of Undead and Unwelcome and Me, Myself and Why?*

“*First Grave on the Right* is smart, sharp, and wickedly entertaining. Grab this one.” ?*Jayne Ann Krentz, New York Times bestselling author of Fired Up*

“*First Grave on the Right* is witty, darkly thrilling, and oh, so sexy!” ?*Gena Showalter, New York Times bestselling author of The Darkest Whisper*

“*First Grave on the Right* is a phenomenal debut! This series opener has it all--rollicking humor, sizzling sexual tension, and a spine-tingling mystery. I'm eagerly awaiting the next Charley Davidson tale!” ?*Kresley Cole, New York Times bestselling author of Pleasure of a Dark Prince*

From the Back Cover

With scorching-hot tension and high-octane humor, *First Grave on the Right* is your signpost to paranormal suspense of the highest order.

This whole grim reaper thing should have come with a manual.

Or a diagram of some kind.

A flowchart would have been nice.

Charley Davidson is a part-time private investigator and full-time grim reaper. Meaning, she sees dead people. Really. And it's her job to convince them to “go into the light.” But when these very dead people have died under less than ideal circumstances (like murder), sometimes they want Charley to bring the bad guys to justice. Complicating matters are the intensely hot dreams she's been having about an entity who has been following her all her life...and it turns out he might not be dead after all. In fact, he might be something else entirely. But what does he want with Charley? And why can't she seem to resist him? And what does

she have to lose by giving in?

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Users Review

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Christina Moss:

Book is to be different per grade. Book for children until eventually adult are different content. As it is known to us that book is very important normally. The book *First Grave on the Right* (Charley Davidson, Book 1) ended up being making you to know about other know-how and of course you can take more information. It is very advantages for you. The publication *First Grave on the Right* (Charley Davidson, Book 1) is not only giving you far more new information but also to be your friend when you experience bored. You can spend your own spend time to read your e-book. Try to make relationship with the book *First Grave on the Right* (Charley Davidson, Book 1). You never truly feel lose out for everything if you read some books.

Brian Faber:

Playing with family within a park, coming to see the ocean world or hanging out with buddies is thing that usually you might have done when you have spare time, then why you don't try issue that really opposite from that. Just one activity that make you not experience tired but still relaxing, trilling like on roller coaster you are ride on and with addition of information. Even you love *First Grave on the Right* (Charley Davidson, Book 1), it is possible to enjoy both. It is great combination right, you still want to miss it? What kind of hang-out type is it? Oh can happen its mind hangout folks. What? Still don't obtain it, oh come on its referred to as reading friends.

Renee Chagnon:

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