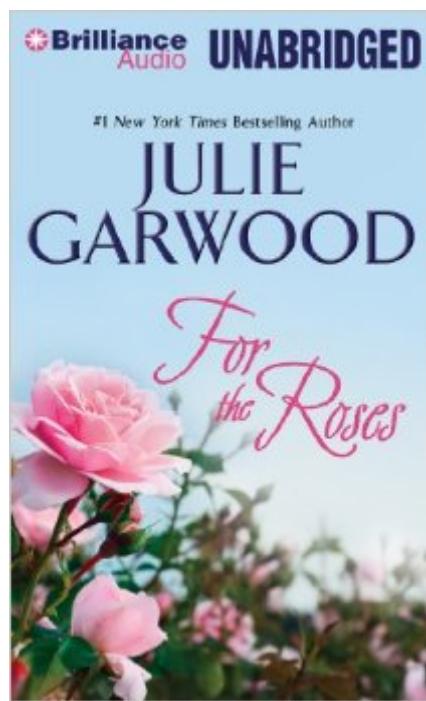


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# For The Roses (Claybornes' Brides)



## Synopsis

Julie Garwood's best-selling novels of the beloved Clayborne family began with this critically acclaimed masterpiece. The Clayborne brothers were a rough gang of street urchins until they found an abandoned baby girl in a New York City alley, named her Mary Rose, and headed to Blue Belle, Montana, to raise her to be a lady. They became a family held together by loyalty and love if not blood when suddenly a stranger threatened to tear them apart. Lord Harrison Stanford MacDonald brandished a six-shooter and a swagger, but he soon proved to be a gentleman to the core. The brothers taught him frontier survival, while Mary Rose touched his heart with a deep and desperate passion. But soon, a shattering secret would challenge everything Mary Rose believed about herself, her life, and her newfound love.

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## Customer Reviews

There are many reasons to like this book, but my favorite aspect is that it shows a non-traditional family full of love and respect. Three orphaned boys find a little girl in a trash pile and band together to raise her as their sister. The romance element of the book is good, as well as the part where Mary Rose finds her biological father, but the relationships of Mary Rose and her four unconventional brothers are what make this book a must read.

"Blood is thicker than water"... but it isn't the case in this endearing book. For the Roses surely proved that a family can be strongly bonded through the years of love and taking care of each other.

Family can be created not only formed by blood. Aside from the family values, the romantic story of Rose & Harrison added spice to the whole book. Mary Rose's discovery of her real father and their initial meeting was a tear jerker. I was once again in tears when I read the part of Mary Rose adjusting to her new family. J.G. described each scenes and emotions so perfectly that I feel like I am part of the book itself. I have many favorite scenes in this book but I have to hold back telling it, otherwise, I will give it away and ruined it for those who haven't read the book just yet. I have read more than 10 of J.G.'s books and this is definitely one of my favorite. I am now in the third novel of the Clayborne Brides, which is part of this series. So far, I am not disappointed... here is how the series follows: For the Roses ----then-----> Clayborne Brides: 1st novel: One Pink Rose 2nd novel: One White Rose 3rd novel: One Red Rose -----last-----> Come the SpringHope that helps, Enjoy!

I read For the Roses and the other books in the series a few years ago and I have re-read them because they are that good. Although I do like romance this is not just a romantic story it much more than that. It's about family and love and respect, I loved it. The reason why I have taken the time to write this review is I have just seen the movie ROSEHILL that was adapted by Hallmark (WHAT A DISAPPOINTMENT THAT WAS). Avoid at all cost, the essence and heart of the story has been destroyed the humour was taken out of the story, you would not recognise Mary Rose who was made out to be a jealous person who disregarded the men who raise her. The men did not appear to really bond together like in the book, what happened to Harrison he did not exist in the movie and the most unforgivable act was that they KILL OFF COLE. Enjoy the book forget the movie trust me on this one.

This is one of my favourite Julie Garwood books, and one of my favourite romances. What I like best is that it's not just a romance novel; in fact, the romance story almost seems secondary to the main story, which is about family and friendship. It was a beautiful story, full of rich characters with distinct personalities and quirks. There were times when I laughed, and times when I felt like crying for these amazing characters. It's a truly unique and wonderful story. I highly recommend it. However, I strongly advise AGAINST watching the movie "Rosehill," which was based on this book. The only similarities between Garwood's lovely story and the movie were the names of the characters, and even some of those were changed.

This story and the entire series was beautiful. It illustrates what family is all about. Family is not just

about blood its about LOVE,TRUST,RESPECT & LOYALTY. If this was required reading in high school maybe we wouldn't be a nation full of Jerry Springer guest. The selflessness of the young men in this story is inspiring. These young men show that even if life has been tough on you there is hope. This book and the entire Claybourne series really touched me. Julie Garwood is a sure thing!! I love all of her stories. \*\*\*\*WARNING JULIE GARWOOD FANS\*\*\*\* the movie ROSEHILL that is suppose to be based on this wonderful book in my opinion was awful!! They made Mary Rose out to be very selfish and mean. They KILLED OFF COLE!!! They never showed the family bonds that were created and were the main part of this lovely story. In essence everybody grew apart in the movie. They even leave you feeling that Adam will die of consumption eventually.. It was sad and depressing and I feel it didn't capture the magic of this book!!!

This book was a very quick book to read, and I mean that in a good way. Very loving, sexy, heart warming, and exciting. This is the first book of Julie Garwoods that I have read, and I will read more. It was a little tough for me to figure out what order all of the Roses books came in. So here they are in order. For the RosesOne Pink RoseOne White RoseOne Red RoseCome The SpringThe three books in the middle are also sold as one book called, The Clayborne Brides. I borrowed the three in the middle from my local library.

I loved the way this book was written. How these four boys decided not to let a little baby suffer and feel unwanted as they had, they gave her all their love. The ending was exciting, Harrison is one heck of a man! I would love to see more books about this family and I would also like to know if its a boy or a girl. :)

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