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Book Two - The Misfit Series. She must live for today . . . The finest doctors in Manhattan have told Claire Holladay she'd be lucky to live until September. Determined to savor every moment, the beautiful young journalist hides her illness and head for the open Skies of Denver, escorted by her uncle's trusted employee, handsome ex-outlaw Billy West. En route, she survives kidnapping by gunslingers, thanks to Billy's daring rescue, but soon faces something even more dangerous: love. Billy's touch makes her yearn to surrender, but the secret she holds can only break both their hearts. ... And dream of tomorrow. Billy knows Claire is way out of his league the first time he sees her. She's Beautiful, cultured and way too rich for his blood. But somewhere between New York and Denver, she steals his heart. Somehow, he has to make Claire take a chance on a man with nothing to his name-and show her how love can work miracles that last a lifetime.

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# **From Reader Review Until September for online ebook**

## **Kathy Brickert says**

### **Great xtory**

Loved the plot and the characters but in my copy, some of the chapters were out of order which was very annoying. But otherwise, I loved Billy and Claire's story! Hope the next book is about Mary!

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## **PWRL says**

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## **Ronnie E Brown says**

### **Rocky Mountain Miracle**

This book deserved a five star because it had it all. A good story, wonderful, engaging characters, and the perfect ending. It was not too predictable and had plenty of adventure to keep you reading late into the night. Thank you and I look forward to more.

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## **Brenda Jernigan says**

Claire Holladay had consumption. Her doctor gave her until September to live. When her fiancé found out, he lost all interest in her. Instead of waiting for death to claim her, Claire decided to make the most of her remaining time. First, she dumped the fiancé. Second, she went to her work place with big ideas. Claire was a journalist for Harper's Publishing. She was determined to travel into the Wild West and send back articles. Her family understood how important this was to Claire. They wrote to Uncle Ben and asked for an escort. Ben Holladay owned a successful stage route in the Colorado territory. He loved Claire dearly and sent his best gun man, Billy West, to pick her up and bring her to him. No one outside the family was to know of her condition. She wanted no pity. Therefore, Billy had no clue that the Grim Reaper was patiently waiting behind Claire's lovely back. He was too busy anyway. He had to keep Claire out of danger, her long-eared dog out of the way, and her brassy Aunt Ute somewhat satisfied over Claire's treatment. Billy also picked up an orphan boy named Willie that he was bringing along to meet his adopted family (from the previous book, "Dance On The Wind").

The LAST thing Billy wanted was to fall in love. The LAST thing Claire wanted was for Billy to learn that her death was imminent. Claire only had "Until September" ...

\*\*\*\*\* WOW! All through the book I kept thinking to myself that the diagnosis had to be wrong. No author in her right mind would do this to the heroine of the story! But I had forgotten the fact that Brenda K. Jernigan is one wily author. This is one writer who could take the impossible and make it possible!

So how does it turn out? Is the diagnosis correct? Will Claire live until September? Well, you will just have to read the story to find out.

This is an amazing glimpse into America's past. The author added bits of history, such as a cameo by John Roebling as he began showing his plans on building the Brooklyn Bridge to possible financiers and by Wild Bill Hickok. Do I recommend this story? OH, YES! \*\*\*\*\* Detra Fitch

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### **Patrice says**

I won this book in December from the giveaways on Goodreads. I liked the synopsis of the book, especially since it was a historical, that's why I put in for it. I am so happy that I was chosen to get an autographed copy of *Until September* from Brenda Jernigan. This is the story of Claire Holladay, youngest child of the New York Holladay's. Claire has been sick and the best doctor's in Manhattan told her she'd be lucky to live until September. Determined not to wallow in self-pity and to do things she never has before, she decides that she wants to travel to Denver and visit her Uncle Ben and his family. She wants to see something of the U.S. while she has the chance. She will write articles for Harper's Weekly about her travels and send them back to her Editor in New York.

Ben Holladay owns and runs a stage coach company out of Denver. He sends one of his best sharp shooters, Billy West, out to New York to accompany his niece Claire back to Denver. Billy sees that Claire has been sheltered all her life and he doesn't think she'll survive life out in Colorado, if she survives the trip. Little does Billy know but, it won't just be Claire and he making the trip to Denver. Claire has a few surprises like her basset hound, Floppy, and her Aunt Ute (who is one of my favorite characters in this story). Claire also doesn't want anyone outside the family to know about her illness. There are some harrowing experiences on the trip out west. Claire keeps her wits about her in order to stay alive and unscathed until help comes.

Claire believes she only has a few months to live and falling in love was not in her plans. She is afraid that Billy will turn away from her if she tells him the truth, just like her ex-fiancé did. She keeps her secret and leaves Denver while Billy is away helping a family member, to try a treatment in the mountains of Colorado with a doctor that knows all about her illness from her doctor in New York.

Will Claire survive and find relief from her illness or will it all be for naught? Will Billy find her in time and forgive her for lying to him? Will they have some happiness together?

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### **Tammy Rolle says**

#### **The Lady and the Cowboy**

Claire is a society darling given a few months to live. Billy is an orphan who grew up to be one tough cowboy. Thrown together by unusual circumstances, they discover what seems to be a hopeless desire for love. This is a wonderful tale of overcoming the odds and giving into a forever love. The *Misfit* series is my first exposure to Ms. Jernigan, and I am looking forward reading more of her wonderful stories.

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