

FORTHCOMING NOVEL

The Good Dead of Partridge

A darkly funny supernatural mystery by M.E. Hollis



Two killers arrive in a small Missouri town and discover every victim returns from the dead, determined to repair the harm they caused while alive.

Roxanne Mercer keeps a list of people who make the world worse. Her boyfriend, Jerry Voss, keeps following her, even when the list turns deadly. When their car strands them in Partridge, Missouri, Roxanne chooses a cruel landlord as her next target. By morning, he is back, gray skinned, carrying a red toolbox, and repairing every home he neglected. Then a dishonest banker returns and starts canceling foreclosures. As the dead make Partridge kinder, Roxanne and Jerry realize their murders have awakened something beneath the town. The zombies do not want revenge. They want to help, and Roxanne might be the person who needs it most.

Genre. Darkly funny supernatural mystery.

Setting. Partridge, Missouri.

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Why It Stands Out

Helpful zombies. The returned do not eat people or spread their condition. They repair what they damaged while alive. **A moral mystery.** Every return raises a harder question about punishment, guilt, and forgiveness. **A memorable town.** Partridge has a practical sheriff, a fearless diner owner, an old quarry, and secrets that refuse to stay buried.

Meet the Author



M.E. Hollis writes darkly comic mysteries about small towns, bad choices, and redemption. She lives outside St. Louis with a senior rescue dog and a suspicious number of notebooks. The Good Dead of Partridge is her debut novel.

INTERVIEW THEMES. Morally complicated characters. Small town secrets. Humor beside harm. Reinventing zombie rules. Redemption compared with forgiveness.

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