

A compelling anthology from a powerful new voice in fiction

Pamela King Cable has woven together the music, the language, the religions, and the traditions of the South. The result is *Southern Fried Women*, a collection of nine short stories about Southern women, and a few men, struggling to find answers to unanswerable questions, hoping for forgiveness, seeking righteousness, and questioning the existence of God in their lives.

Cable writes Southern fiction in the true spirit of the rural South. She can ruffle the feathers of the most stoic, mess with the beliefs of the strictest fundamentalists, and reel you into her stories like a stubborn catfish meant for the fryer. These are stories about women who range in age from sixteen to ninety-six. They've been preached to, lied to and about, screamed at, broken, bruised, and just plain FRIED. They're burnt out on empty promises, dead-end jobs, junk cars, making ends meet, and cheating husbands.

"With a clear Southern voice and a remarkable gift of storytelling, Pamela King Cable has crafted a masterful collection of short stories," says Beth Hoffman, *New York Times*' bestselling author of *Saving CeeCee Honeycutt*. "In themes ranging from flea markets to coal mine strikes, *Southern Fried Women* speaks of the wounds, joys, and sacrifices experienced by women who held strong in the winds of adversity and emerged bruised but miraculously unbroken. Each story is as thought-provoking as it is beautifully written."

These are stories about women brave enough to start over again and again. They never give up, they just go home . . . wherever they decide home is. Once you have met these Southern Fried Women, they will be with you forever.

About the author: Born in West Virginia, Pam claims a tribe of wild Pentecostals and storytellers raised her. Her award-winning stories, articles, and essays have appeared in magazines, anthologies, and newspapers in several states. She is currently a speaker in much demand, discussing the creative writing process, networking, and publishing at writing groups such as Sisters in Crime, the Writers' Group of the Triad, and the International Women's Writing Guild. Pam's passion, inspiration and overcoming life's insurmountable obstacles is evident in her speeches and the pages of her book, *Southern Fried Women*.

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