

# One Woman's Fight for the Truth Behind Her Son's Death at Deepcut



## A Mother's War: One Woman's Fight for the Truth Behind Her Son's Death at Deepcut by Yvonne Collinson Heath

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In 1995, 18-year-old Private Sean Benton was found dead at the Deepcut military barracks in Surrey, England. His death was ruled a suicide, but his family refused to believe it. Led by Sean's mother, Linda, they embarked on a decade-long campaign to expose the truth behind his death.

### A Mother's Suspicions

From the moment she heard the news of Sean's death, Linda Benton knew something was wrong. Her son was a happy and promising young man with no history of mental health problems. He had been looking forward to his future in the army and had just received a promotion.

Linda's suspicions were further fueled by the way the army handled the investigation into Sean's death. The army initially refused to release any information to the family, and when they finally did, it was incomplete and

contradictory. The army's own investigation concluded that Sean had taken his own life, but Linda was convinced that there was more to the story.

## **Fighting for Answers**

Linda refused to give up. She hired a private investigator and began her own research into Sean's death. She spoke to other soldiers who had been stationed at Deepcut and uncovered a disturbing pattern of unexplained deaths and suspicious circumstances.

Linda's relentless pursuit of the truth led to a public inquiry into the deaths of four young soldiers at Deepcut, including Sean. The inquiry heard evidence of bullying, harassment, and sexual abuse at the barracks. It also found that the army had covered up evidence and obstructed the investigation into the soldiers' deaths.

## **Seeking Justice**

Linda's campaign for justice for Sean and the other victims of Deepcut has been a long and difficult one. She has faced resistance from the army and the government, but she has never given up. In 2019, she finally received a long-awaited apology from the Ministry of Defence for the army's failures in investigating Sean's death.

Linda's story is a testament to the power of one woman's determination to fight for the truth. Her relentless pursuit of justice has helped to expose the dark secrets of Deepcut and has brought about long-overdue changes in the way the army handles the deaths of its soldiers.

## **The Book**

Linda Benton's book, "One Woman's Fight for the Truth Behind Her Son's Death at Deepcut," is a powerful and moving account of her long journey to uncover the truth about Sean's death. The book is a must-read for anyone interested in the Deepcut scandal, military justice, or the power of one person to make a difference.



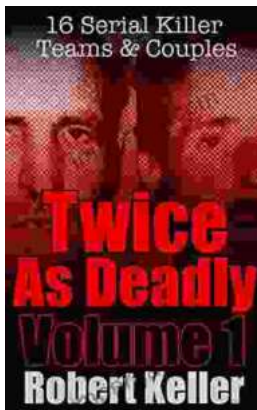
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