



***Countdown*
by Lynette Eason**

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***Bestselling Author Offers Breathless
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“This book is an edge-of-your seat suspense thriller from start to finish.”

—*Library Journal* on *Life Flight*

Ada, Mich.—In January 2022, bestselling author Lynette Eason introduced the Extreme Measure series. Each book in the series delivered intense, fast-paced action that focused on four friends who met in a juvenile delinquency center as teens and banded together in order to survive. Now Eason ramps up the adrenaline once again for the riveting finale in *Countdown*.

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Raina Price is living life incognito. In order to protect herself from a dangerous stalker, she had to change her name, her identity, and her home. With the help of her friend from juvie, Raina is able to begin life anew. She has a new job as a flight paramedic that she loves. It feels great to put her energies into saving lives. But it is hard to put aside the fact that her own life may still be in danger.

US Marshal Vincent Corelli’s job is to hunt down fugitives and protect those who are assigned to him. When Raina is almost killed in front of him, he is more determined than ever to save her and to find out who is behind the nefarious act.

Together they must work to solve the mystery of Raina’s past. But someone is determined to make sure that she doesn’t live long enough to uncover the truth. Can she trust Vincent with her past as well as her future?

Join Eason for a heart-stopping race against time in *Countdown*.



About the Author



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Lynette Eason is the *USA Today* bestselling author of *Life Flight*, *Crossfire*, and *Critical Threat*, as well as the *Danger Never Sleeps*, *Blue Justice*, *Women of Justice*, *Deadly Reunions*, *Hidden Identity*, and *Elite Guardians* series. She is the winner of three ACFW Carol Awards, the Selah Award, and the Inspirational Reader's Choice Award, among others. She is a graduate of the University of South Carolina and has a master's degree in education from Converse College. Eason lives in South Carolina with her husband. They have two adult children. Learn more at www.lynetteeason.com.

PRAISE for Lynette Eason's Extreme Measure Series

"The hair-raising second installment. Expertly plotted and relentlessly paced, the narrative drives home its message that 'God is there to get us through whatever we have to face.' This high-octane thriller keeps up the momentum through the final page."

—*Publishers Weekly*, review of *Crossfire*

"Lynette Eason has blown me out of the water. She took my heart through a roller coaster of emotions with *Crossfire*. *Crossfire* by Lynette Eason is a model for the romantic suspense genre. I should just say she's one of the best authors of the genre today. There hasn't been a single Eason book I haven't enjoyed. *Crossfire* is no exception."

—*Life Is Story*, review of *Crossfire*

"The second book in the Extreme Measures series is just as intense and action packed as the first! Lynette Eason is at her best with this series!"

—*Write-Read-Life*, review of *Crossfire*

"Romantic suspense star Eason's latest grabs you by the throat and doesn't let go; readers will have a hard time putting it down long enough to focus on real life. . . . This sweet but thrilling romance is a great start to Eason's Extreme Measures series and may also be her best book yet."

—*Booklist*, starred review of *Life Flight*

"*Life Flight* is a multilayered story filled with unexpected twists, dangerous situations, and tension. . . . Filled with suspense and romance, this thriller is an engrossing story by a talented author!"

—*Fresh Fiction*, review of *Life Flight*



Sample Interview Questions for Lynette Eason

Countdown

Can you please provide a brief summary of your novel *Countdown*?

Flight paramedic Raina Price's past has marched back into her present—and it wants to kill her. A stalker who knows her well is determined to finish what he started, and US Marshal Vince Correlli vows to protect her at all costs—even if it ends his career.

Your female protagonist, Raina Price, has a secretive past. Can you please provide some insight about why she had to go into hiding?

She made some lousy choices as a teenager. One of those choices led her to juvie, where she met the other heroines in the series, but one particular bad choice led her to get involved with a man who was a narcissistic sociopath. With this guy threatening those she loved, her only recourse, she felt, was to drop off the face of the planet and go into hiding.

Vincent Corelli vows to protect Raina at all costs. How has his job as a US Marshal provided him with the skill set to see this through?

Well, that's what a Marshal is trained for, right? Protecting those who need it? So, he simply transfers his training to Raina to keep her safe.

***Countdown* is the final book in the Extreme Measure series. What is the connecting element for all the books in this series?**

The connecting element for all the books is the four heroines who met in juvie as teens.

Will characters from previous books in the series make appearances in your new novel?

They do. I always love bringing back previous characters and catching up with what's going on in their lives. The readers enjoy it too.

Are there any threads that run through the whole series that will be wrapped up in this book?

No, each book can be read as a stand-alone. All threads are wrapped up in each book.

What was the inspiration for this series?

I have a lot of brainstorming buddies, but I have to give credit to my editor, Andrea Doering, for this idea. She threw out a little spark of an idea, and I managed to fan it into a flame that became the series.

Did you have a favorite character in *Countdown*?

I really love Raina. She was terrified on so many levels but displayed such courage to fight back against her abuser and stalker. I respected her a lot and was thrilled to be able to give her a happy ending.

***Countdown* is set in Asheville, North Carolina. Why did you choose this setting?**

Asheville, North Carolina, is one of my favorite places on earth. I love the mountains, I love small towns on the outskirts of big cities, I just love it all. And I spend a lot of time there. So, I often set my books in the mountains of North Carolina.

What do you hope readers will gain from reading *Countdown*?

I hope they will be thoroughly entertained for several hours, and if something in the spiritual element connects with them, then that's always a wonderful thing.

How can readers connect with you?

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