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**AN ANCIENT LAW, A MODERN WAR,  
AND A FATHER'S LOVE THAT  
KNOWS NO BOUNDS**

*IN HIS STEAD*  
*A Father's War*  
By Judith Sanders

“Sanders’ rich rendering of Civil War law validated in the 21<sup>st</sup> century to save a son is rare and spellbinding. The humanity linking the pages...will pierce you like a sword.”  
—Retired Judge Advocate General of the U. S. Army, **Hugh R. Overholt**

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*In His Stead* (Ironwood Books / November 2012), the second novel by acclaimed author **Judith Sanders**, explores the tension, devastation, strength, and love of service families during wartime through the story of one man, Retired Army Ranger Thomas Lane, as he faces the greatest sacrifice for his son: giving his own life to save his child.

Lane once burned for the taste of gunpowder and the thrill of the battle. But as he struggles to cope with his own PTSD and the death of his eldest son who was killed by an IED in Afghanistan, Lane learns that the price of war is far too dear.

Now the National Guard is calling on Lane’s youngest son to serve. Consumed with sorrow, Lane knows he will do anything to save his child—even if it means going in his place, a pursuit unheard of

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since the Civil War when slaves were sent to fight in place of their masters, and one still drenched in derision.

*In His Stead* follows the tumultuous battle of Thomas Lane as he navigates the United States Army, its JAG corps, a vengeful officer, the very son he is desperate to save, and his own wife, who has the Solomon like choice of losing either a husband or a son. Filled with both tense action and heartbreaking tenderness, *In His Stead* captures the essence of family life in wartime—the good, the bad, and the hopeful—and explores what it means to be a father and a man.

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