

# Jessica Redmond

Author, *A Year of Absence: Six women's stories of courage, hope and love*

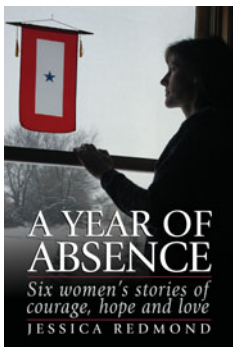


**Jessica Redmond** has worked as a teacher, freelance journalist, Peace Corps volunteer, and community organizer, but one of her most challenging roles has been as a military wife. In April 2003, after being married for less than a year, her husband was sent to Iraq as part of the U.S. Army's First Armored Division, based in Baumholder, Germany. As the first months of the deployment dragged on, Jessica set out to discover how other wives were coping with the strain. Her first book, *A Year of Absence*, tells the stories of six very different women who find a way to guide themselves and their families through the most difficult fifteen months of their lives.

Jessica holds a BA in English from Tulane University and a master's degree in international public policy and administration from Rutgers University. She has written for *Stars and Stripes* and *The Dallas Morning News*.

For additional information about the author, upcoming events, book reviews, or deployment tips for families, please visit [www.survivingdeployment.com](http://www.survivingdeployment.com).

For author interviews or correspondence, please call 651-357-8770 or e-mail [pr@elvaresa.com](mailto:pr@elvaresa.com).



Books will be available November 2005 at many retail locations and online bookstores, through Baker & Taylor wholesalers, or direct from the publisher:  
**651-357-8770**, fax **501.641.0777**,  
e-mail [orders@elvaresa.com](mailto:orders@elvaresa.com)

ISBN 0965748316  
Hardcover 232 pages  
\$24.95 6" x 9"  
Elva Resa Publishing LLC