

AFTERTIME

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What if you had a weapon—a knife that had the power to heal—as long as it was never used in anger? What if this knife had been handed down for generations in your family, but because of you, it has now been taken? What if you were only twelve years old?

Our story begins in Virginia in the mid-1700s—when English settlers in Virginia claimed Monacan land as their right—and brings us into the twenty-first century. This is a story that spans generations yet begins with the simple friendship between two boys: one Monacan and the other English. *The Aftertime* asks what is worth fighting for, and how to fight for it. Most importantly, it's a story about following your moral compass and standing up, sometimes all alone, for what is just.



**About the Author**

For years, **LLH Harms** has written books, stories, and poems and simply placed them on a shelf. With encouragement from one of her children, she has finally decided to share her writing with all of us. *The Aftertime* is her debut novel; a picture book is forthcoming. She lives in Virginia with her family.

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