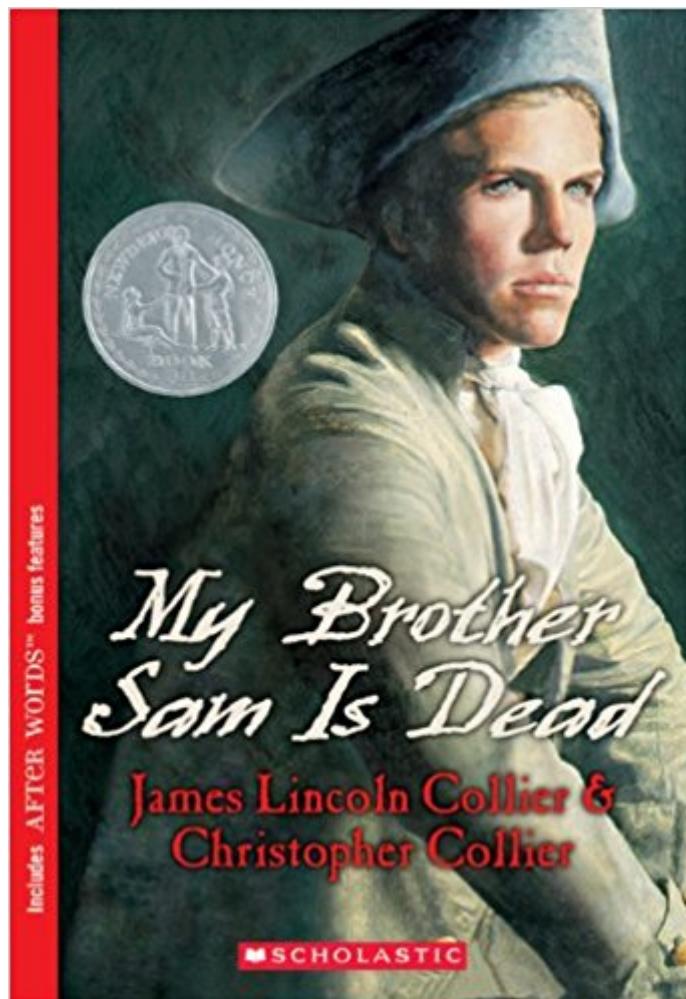


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# My Brother Sam Is Dead



## **Synopsis**

The classic story of one family torn apart by the Revolutionary War -- now with special After Words bonus features! All his life, Tim Meeker has looked up to his brother Sam. Sam's smart and brave -- and is now a part of the American Revolution. Not everyone in town wants to be a part of the rebellion. Most are supporters of the British -- including Tim and Sam's father. With the war soon raging, Tim knows he'll have to make a choice -- between the Revolutionaries and the Redcoats . . . and between his brother and his father.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

"This stirring and authoritative novel earns a place beside our best historical fiction. A memorable piece of writing." --Horn Book "This compelling book's refusal to romanticize the Revolutionary War makes a powerful statement about the failings of both sides, and by extension, the failings of all wars." --Children's Literature --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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This book made me feel like it was 1776 during the revolutionary war. It had twists and turns it was exciting, sad, and shocking. Very interesting I was speechless when Sam had died. This book was excellent.

I read this book for school and I have to say it's boring, it has good parts and very little parts that make u wanna keep reading. The book's character Tim was kind of a jerk in one part why \*SPOILER\* when Tim and Sam's father was being harassed by a militia while Sam was at home visiting, Tim took Sam's gun to give to the militia (which is what they wanted), Sam chased him down and Tim threatened to shoot Sam, but when Sam was captured Tim runs away, come on, really what kind of brother is he, so as you can see this book sounds so exciting. But that's about it it's actually really boring and mainly about how he works with his parents and is really boring

This book was pretty accurate in the events of the Revolutionary War. I read this book for an advanced reading class and this is the best pre ap book I have read. I would recommend this book to advanced reading teachers

It was fabulous, it grabs at your heart as if you are Tim from the first page. Sho ammmmaaaaazzzzzziiiiinnnnnnnggggggg you should read it.

Very good book. My son had to read it for his 5th grade class; and since I like to be close to what is being taught I read the book as well. Book is tough (emotionally so for a 5th grader), but accurately depicts the challenges in all conflicts - the main theme of the book. Some may argue that the book is anti-war, or even unpatriotic - but that would be underplaying the "grayness" in the world when it comes to armed conflict. It's a smart book, and raises a number of topics and talking points for discussion. Another theme (although lesser) is that the Revolutionary War itself is one where the conflict is grey and complicated and the book ingeniously depicts as such from the viewpoint of a family in the war. I've not read another book on the Revolutionary War that so immerses the reader - one gets pulled into the story pretty quickly. Nice recap at the end of the book regarding the historical research - what is fact in the book and what is story; includes places that still exist and can be visited.

Purchased for my daughter for her 8th great English/Social Studies summer project. She enjoyed

the book and will be studying it further as the school year progresses.

Child's review My brother Sam is dead is a historical fiction book about the revolutionary war, and how one 11-14 year old boy copes with it. The story revolves around Timmy, his dad Life (yes his name is life) , and his brother Sam, (who surprisingly is not dead) Pros. It's not too long and could easily be finished in three days top It has well developed characters The plot twist was hard to see coming The story was very captivating Cons. Things can get very violent and gory There are several ruthless child deaths in the story Anyhoo the cons really aren't that bad, and over all this is a good history book for a fifth - eighth grader, and a much better alternative than Johnny Tremain.

I thought this book would've been boring because it was chosen by our school but the book showed me differently. The book was overall amazing.

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