

A War Of Her Own
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The year is 1943, and in the sleepy little town of Orange, Texas, thousands of desperate jobseekers have taken up new residence, pursuing steady employment at the wartime shipyards. In the midst of all the growing hustle and bustle, Bea Meade finds her life suddenly shattered when her philandering husband announces his intentions to leave her for another woman. To make matters worse, Bea is the new mother of an infant son, forcing her to take a job as a riveter at a shipyard to support both herself and her baby boy in light of her husband's cruel abandonment. Faced with a host of unforeseen challenges – including a no-good husband, workplace sexism, and haunted memories of her past, Bea struggles to summon the strength to endure the tumultuous storms of life that threaten to darken any hope of a bright future...

Featuring an indelible protagonist you can't help but to cheer for, **A War Of Her Own** is a powerfully compelling read. In it, author Sylvia Dickey Smith presents the moving story of an innocent soul thrust in the midst of the most grievous of circumstances, chronicling her ongoing struggles to navigate her way through the mess and come out clean on the other side. Smith also brings the sights, sounds, and overall aura of WWII America to vivid life, based largely on her own personal recollections of the highly memorable era. With such a frenetic, vibrant setting serving as the backdrop for Bea's personal wars, Smith successfully draws the reader in to her well-crafted tale of love, betrayal, and forgiveness, all of which Bea must contend with as she battles her way down the road of self discovery.

Surprisingly heartrending, **A War Of Her Own** is an inspiring account of learning to overcome the most difficult obstacles without losing your true self in the process. A thoroughly engrossing read.