

## **Author Background**

Brian M. Shoemaker is a devoted single father whose life revolves around caring for his son, who lives with epileptic seizures. This book marks Brian's debut as an author, written with the heartfelt hope that its success will allow him to become a stay-at-home dad and provide more comprehensive care for his child.

Brian's journey to authorship represents a remarkable transformation from a troubled past. Having overcome struggles with drug addiction and time in prison, he has rebuilt his life through determination, education, and an unwavering commitment to his son. As a returning college student, Brian is set to graduate at the end of the year with a computer science degree, proving that it's never too late to pursue your dreams and create positive change.

Upon graduation, Brian plans to launch BYTECODE STUDIOS, an indie game development company he's founding with his best friend. This venture represents the convergence of his technical skills, creative passions, and entrepreneurial spirit, demonstrating how someone can rise above their circumstances to build multiple pathways toward success and stability.

Brian penned "Doraleous and Associates: A Tale of Glory" in memory of Tony Schnur, John Etheridge, Brett Triplett, Nate Panning, and Bryan Mahoney, drawing inspiration from their creativity and community spirit. Through his writing, he aims to create a future where he can be both a full-time caregiver and a successful author, balancing the challenges of parenthood with his passion for storytelling.

His story serves as an inspiration that redemption is possible, that education can transform lives, and that the love for a child can motivate extraordinary change. Whether through fantasy literature or game development, Brian is committed to creating worlds where hope triumphs over adversity—a theme that resonates deeply from his own lived experience.

New to the writing scene but seasoned by life's challenges, Brian hopes to captivate readers while honoring the memory of those who inspired his creative journey and proving that second chances can lead to remarkable achievements.