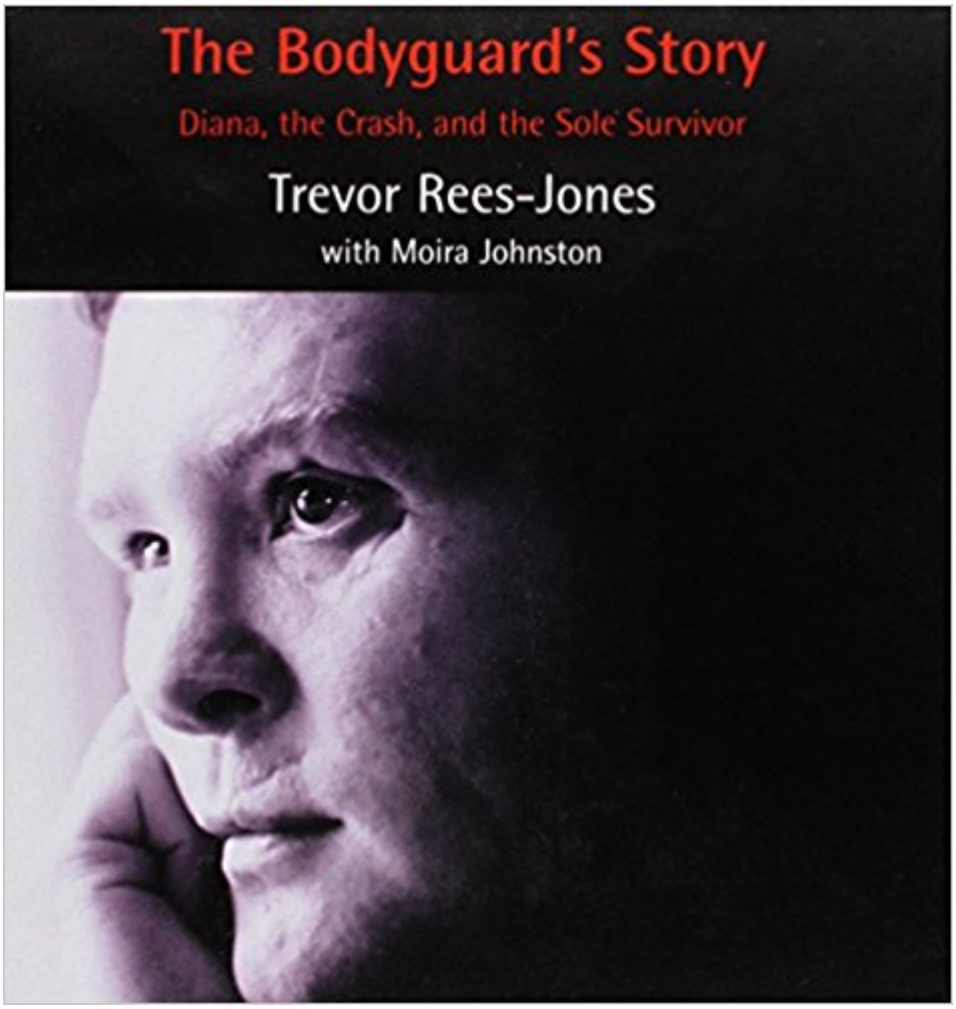
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Synopsis

As bodyguard to Diana’s companion, Dodi Fayed, Trevor Rees-Jones was with the couple when, hounded by paparazzi and with a driver later discovered to be drunk, the Mercedes in which they were traveling crashed into a pillar of the tunnel under the Place de l’Alma in Paris. Trevor was the only survivor. This book reveals the true, first-hand account of one of the most sensational news stories of the 20th century.

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Wholly remarkable ... Astonishing ... This brave and inspiring book deserves to be blessed a thousandfold Craig Brown, MAIL on Sunday He is a brave man and his story is gripping. Sunday TELEGRAPH Telling my story in a book is the last thing I ever dreamed I’d be doing", writes Trevor Rees-Jones in the introduction to his autobiography, The Bodyguard’s Story. Rees-Jones’s life changed irrevocably on the night of Saturday, August 31, 1997, when the car he was travelling in crashed in a certain Alma tunnel in Paris. The car contained no ordinary passengers--Rees-Jones was the bodyguard of Dodi Fayed, companion of Diana, Princess of Wales. Dodi, Diana and driver Henri Paul were all killed, leaving Rees-Jones as the sole survivor, fighting for his life having suffered appalling injuries. His face was crushed beyond recognition and had to be extensively reconstructed under expert surgical care. Rees-Jones left hospital after a month, intending to continue with his life as far as possible and his work for his employer, Dodi’s father, Mohamed Al Fayed. Yet his situation became increasingly fraught in the wake of the death of the Princess of Wales, one of the late 20th-century’s most potent icons. As the grief-stricken Fayed tried

desperately to find someone to blame for the death of his son, it was only a matter of time before Rees-Jones became embroiled in the web of recriminations and accusations. The Bodyguard's Story tells the story of the summer leading up to the fatal accident; as Rees-Jones, speaking openly for the first time, describes a world of extreme wealth, paparazzi-dodging and the increasingly volatile situation between the press, Dodi, Diana and their minders as the summer dragged on. Realising his life could never return to what it had been, Rees-Jones aims to set the record straight with his first-hand account. "They'd died on my shift, and I'll live with that for the rest of my life. But I look in the mirror every day and know that I did the best I could. Kate Weaver, .CO.UK THE BODYGUARD'S STORY is that rare thing: a thriller told by an unexcitable man. After all those feverish rival accounts of Diana and her motives - the 'I Loved Her Better Than You school of memoir - this book is like drinking a long cold glass of water ... Trevor Rees-Jones's straightforwardness is a virtue that looks all the more impressive in such a crooked story' --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Rees-Jones was a former soldier who joined the security staff of Mohamed Al Fayed, and worked as a personal bobyguard to Fayed's son Dodi. Trevor was a first-hand witness to the events leading up to the crash that would kill Diana, Princess of Wales.Peter has been a working actor for over thirty years. In theatre he has played a wide range of roles, including rep all around the UK, and an active TV and film career. He has often chosen jobs involving travel. Most importantly (to him), Peter enjoyed a spell on the BBC Radio Rep. That all led to audiobooks, and his only regret about this is that he doesn't usually travel far to do it!

I read the book, passed it on, and purchased another copy for a gift. I liked the indlucions of pictures.

I enjoyed this book because it tells what the Princess was doing the last few weeks of her life right up to the crash. Trevor Rees-Jones was Dodi's bodyguard and was with them during most of their vacation time together. He tells in detail what it was like in the final weeks, right up to the moment they left the Ritz, just minutes before the crash. He doesn't remember anything after that, including the crash itself. His face was so seriously injured that his mother only recognized him by his legs. Days later his mother also had to break the news to him that he was the only survivor. Much of this book is about Trevor's life, and the events after the crash, including the many surgeries he had to go through, and the impact taking care of him had on his mother and stepfather, and finally the events

that led up to his leaving the job he loved so much. There are several photo's also that include Diana and Dodi on holiday, Trevor before and after the crash, and of the crash itself.

Trevor Rees-Jones was one of Dodi Al Fayed's bodyguards and was in the car with Dodi and Princess Diana on the night of the fatal crash. He had met Diana only fleetingly a few weeks before and really had no interaction with her. He was severely injured that night and has no memory of the crash or the minutes leading up to it. So what is this book about? It describes in excruciatingly minute detail the legal investigations and his recovery for two years after that fateful night.I was hoping for more about Diana, since the product description says he was HER bodyguard, but there's really nothing of interest here, just a few photos of her with him, blurry, and way in the background. Rees-Jones comes off as an ordinary bloke who just happened to live through a world-famous event and sold his story to the highest bidder. I found the book dull and hard to finish. It is ghost-written in the third person, based on interviews with Rees-Jones, his family, and his legal team in a rather bland, factual manner. Not much of a story, really, if you're looking for new insight about that night or about Dodi and Diana' relationship.

Yes I'm coming a bit late to this party.... but for what its worth I did actually enjoy hearing how the events unfolded, from the bodyguards perspective.It was a good read.

11 years after the crash it was refreshing to read the true story by Trevor Rees Jones. All we heard of was conspiracy theories that I think we all wanted to believe. After reading Trevors story in my heart I now know it was just a tragic accident. Thank you Trevor

After all the rumors you hear regarding the death of Princess Di, who better to find out the real truth than the only survivor of the accident.

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