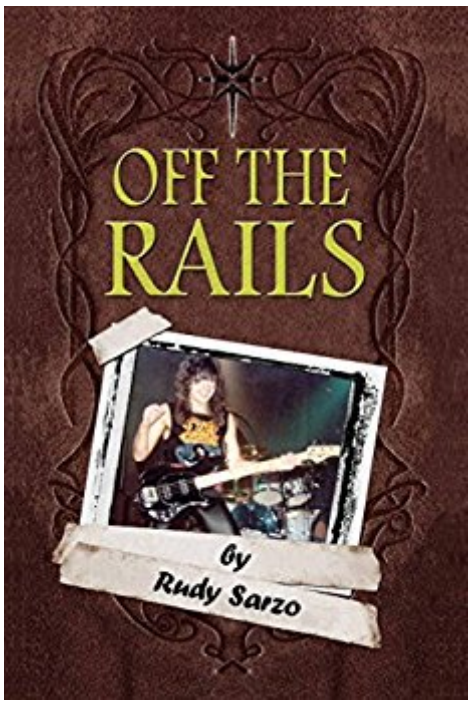
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Synopsis

A fellow musician’s interesting insight into the beginning of Ozzy Osbourne s solo career and his relationship with Sharon Osbourne. This exciting biography also clears a lot of misinformation and bogus theories circulating around the late, great, guitar virtuoso Randy Rhoads’ life and death. Written by journeyman rock bassist Rudy Sarzo, this is a first hand account of Rudy s experience on the road with Ozzy and his Blizzard of Ozz band.

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Customer Reviews

Great book for a very important part of Heavy Metal history. Rudy was right there at Metal’s resurgence in the late 70’s and early 80’s. He joined Ozzy Osbourne’s band while it was still in the process of getting its act together. Although Ozzy’s first two solo albums were in the can, Rudy came right after for the big promotional tours. Those of us that saw the tours got to see an amazing band that unfortunately, would be short-lived. Tragedy struck, and Ozzy and Sharon’s dysfunction played a hand in the band moving in a different direction. But for that brief moment in time, it was an unstoppable force and Rudy lets us in on all of the wild things that ensued.I’d give the book 5 stars, but my only misgivings were some typos and minor sentence structure errors. Rudy is Cuban, so I

overlooked those trivial mistakes. He has actually learned English quite well and he paints a good picture of what life was like during his tenure with the band. I'd highly recommend the book for anyone interested in Metal history or even Rock in general. On a side note, if you want to know what happened in Ozzy's band before and after Rudy came along, check out Bob Daisley's book. They both tie up the Ozzy solo era nicely.

fun read .. proof reader should have been fired ..too many typos caught while reading

What a great story! If your interested in Randy Rhoads and what really happened to him...Read this book. This gives a good insight into Ozzy and Sharon too.Rudy and Randy had a true friendship. It brings you back to that era of rock n" roll! It also includes lots of crazy stories about Ozzy on the road.

Good story. Reads like a Rudy Sarzo/Randy Rhoads fan fic romance novel, complete with cutesy pet names used throughout. To be honest, when you write about Ozzy and call your book Off the Rails...I expected a little more juice. "Rudes" and "Rand" come off sounding like squeaky clean choir boys. The Randy/Sharon infidelity is barely touched on. The sex and drugs are left out, obvious by their absence. Suggest Mr.Sarzo go read Motley Crue's The Dirt. And seriously? the book was riddled with typos. If your'e going to self-publish and ask $9.99 for a product, at least be courteous enough to run it thru spell check. You owe your readers that much.

Not to dismiss Rudy's account at all, but I was expecting more of a bio of Randy Rhoads, which there is some of that, but it's more of a chronologic account of his joining Ozzy's lineup, and his tours with him. However the accident account is sobering and sad knowing the devastating loss that happened as a result.

I am a huge Ozzy fan, and a fan of Rudy during his Quiet Riot days. I remember being in Jr. High School and being introduced to Ozzy by the other kids on the school bus. Back then, everybody was in love with Randy Rhodes. He was such an enormous and fantastic talent who was sadly taken from us too soon. Mr. Sarzo's book is a frank and honest story about a word that so few of us will ever know about and he takes us on the journey of what touring with Ozzy was like during the early 80's. The chapter where Randy dies in a tragic airplane crash es very touching and poignant as well. If you are an Ozzy fan, a Randy Rhodes fan, or just remember the 80's and how wonderful

the music was, this this book is a must read!

You think that a book sold by a real publishing company would at least edit the thing for spelling and grammar. As is there are just to many printing errors as well. maybe it happened in the scanning process as far as the missing text is concerned. I might be OCD but it made the read hard at times. I loved the Insight though since Rudy was a fly on the wall for a lot of crazy s***.I wonder what Ozzy thinks of this particular view of his life at this time when he was a crazy drunk and would have surely been long dead if not for Sharon what a strong woman she was then and continues to be today.

Rudy does a great job of taking you on his journey with the great Randy Rhoades. From Rudy's first days in L.A through his time with Ozzy until that fatal day. Rudy take you on a "Crazy Train" ride with him. Its a great read!

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