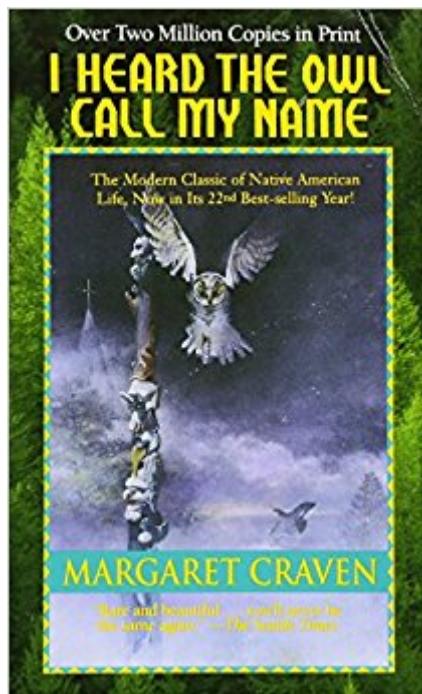


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I liked the story, but the emotions were missing from it in my point of view. Kind of hard how to explain that. The author illustrated well by describing the characters actions what many of the characters meant to each other, but missed drawing me in to the story somehow. Not that I like big, emotion, drama filled books. It just kind of felt like the author was telling how to do a math problem, rather than share a story about relationships.

Still good after all the years since published. I think it's in the category of "Classical"

This is a fascinating read, which offers testimony to the treatment of the First Nations by the government of Canada, and parallels the treatment of the First Nations Peoples by the United States Government as well. There was a video production of this book on the Canadian Television System years ago, which though was well done, did not do the full justice to the book that it could have. I purchased this volume for my Kindle to replace my hardbound copy, as I down size my library and other possessions.

I've only half read it so far, and haven't read anything related to the book title.

Not my usual read, but well done.

This is a great little read.

We thought it was a very charming book.

Even in this rather shoddy and poorly edited volume the story remains as captivating as ever. A young clergyman is sent to an Inuit village where he learns more about life and love and people than he ever learned as an academic city dweller and ultimately the unwelcome posting is where he chooses to spend his last days, in mutual love and acceptance. The problems of the villagers and

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