

You Have A Very Soft Voice, Susan: A Shocking True Story of Internet Stalking By Susan Fensten
The harassment can go on for years.

Wow what a bizarre series of events this was! You Have A Very Soft Voice Susan is a twisted tale of an internet search gone incredibly wrong. It's scary to think that people like the ones in this book actually exist in the world and that just the click of a button and an internet connection can put you in such danger. I have never had any inclination to find out any more about my own relatives so far and this true account of the author's experiences serves as a stark warning about internet security to me if I ever decided to. 395 4 stars*Thank you to the author and Netgalley for giving me an ARC in exchange for an honest review*This was a terrifying journey into the unexpected dangers of the internet and how susceptible and vulnerable it can easily make us to deception manipulation and abuse. 395 You Have A Very Soft Voice Susan is a shocking tale that goes beyond internet stalking and serves as a reminder of the importance of exercising caution online and enforcing boundaries while at the same time shedding light on certain unavoidable tragedies. While the middle and conclusion of the book were thoughtful and compelling the first few chapters were told in a seemingly random non-chronological order that was confusing at times and did not serve the story well focusing on past details of the author's life that were not always particularly relevant to the story and only added to its length and confusion. In today's world where the majority of us have access to the internet at a moment's notice it is a brutal reminder of the need to exercise caution and the dangers that lurk online. The story begins with Susan Fensten's online search for her father's family a search that soon turns into a two-year frightening odyssey of internet stalking and threats when a posting on a genealogy message board brings her into contact with what she thinks are distant cousins but what turns out to be a sociopath. She soon becomes the target of dozens of frightening characters including real verifiable convicted sex offenders in an elaborate cyber-hoax that includes threats of kidnapping murder rape torture and cannibalism. Described by the FBI as a case "in a category by itself" This book is a story about the Internet the search for family a friendship and a journey into the underbelly of American crime that raises questions about safety online and pushes the boundaries of our perceptions of what is real and what is not. You Have A Very Soft Voice Susan: A Shocking True Story of Internet StalkingI'll admit that I am a sucker for a good book cover and this one nails it that's if you like creepy covers of course and I do! This story is absolutely bonkers and it's true which is why it is all the more frightening. We've all heard horror stories about online crimes and creepy stalkers and countless other ways people have devised to harass bully shame and embarrass people- not to mention all the daily 'hacks' where personal and sensitive information is stolen. Still despite knowing how dangerous the internet is- how dangerous it has ALWAYS been this story was absolutely shocking! I can't even begin to imagine going through something that bizarre. Although we take as many precautions as possible protect our privacy the best we can and stay hyper aware about phishing and scams sometimes despite all our preparedness we are still vulnerable often betrayed and blindsided in ways we never would have seen coming or thought possible.)This is a true crime story with incredible twists and I highly recommend it 395 You Have a Very Soft Voice Susan: A Shocking True Story Of Internet Stalking This is one very strange stalking story.Finally with the push of her boyfriend demanding some action FBI agent Waller finally steps in to see what he can find out and you will be shocked as to what he discovers, As you read this you will have your mouth agape and you will want to close all social media accounts: (Except Goodreads!) If I learned anything from this it's to keep your personal information just that - PERSONAL: *Shivers* Thank you to NetGalley and WildBlue Press for providing me with a digital ARC in exchange for my honest review, 395 This book is a mind-bending trip! Stalkers are the worst sort of criminal: In 2003 Susan Fensten conducts a search for her father's relatives on a genealogy website. Little does she know that her seemingly harmless query will bring her into contact with the most sinister people she has ever met, Believing that she's communicating with her distant relatives Susan soon becomes the target and obsession of a criminal sociopath and other frightening characters. This book is so creepy that I had to remind myself that these are true events.

After reading this book it's almost impossible not to consider how much you should really share on the internet, Thank you to WildBlue Press and NetGalley for providing me with a copy of this book in exchange for an honest review, 395 Truly shocking and creepy and the fact that it is a true story makes it all the more so: What starts out as an ordinary and innocent genealogy search becomes something else entirely in this book by Susan Fensten, I was lured by the title and initially I had been expecting something like a thriller however this soon became an obsessive fascinating though rather horrific read for me: Disturbing and unnerving You Have A Very Soft Voice Susan was certainly a worthwhile read. I received a complimentary copy of this novel from WildBlue Press via NetGalley at my own request, Especially when there is a mentally unstable and sexually depraved person on the other end: The events that unfolded over halfway through the book were so chilling and crazy that it seemed hard to comprehend it all really happened: I can't talk about the book much without spoiling anything so all I'll say is if you like to read about twisted and disturbing true stories then read this one, 395 I could not put this down so I shut off my phones and went along for a crazy insane ride, This is a true story from the early days of social media, The author was the victim and we follow along as piece by piece every part of her life is unraveled and seemingly destroyed over the course of eighteen months. Her fear is real as she falls into a web of what she believes are new cousins who are all crazy and violent and their murderous friends and lovers: At times it was difficult to put down as one mystery unraveled into the next and a disturbing psyche was revealed: Particularly the first chapter which reeled me in and left me wanting to read more but was ultimately not addressed again or resolved during the book. Certain seemingly large details were overlooked while other seemingly minor points were discussed at length, Past these first few chapters the story quickly picked up into a fascinating bizarre and disturbing tale, At times it could be difficult to follow given the complexity of the story itself but it was nevertheless an interesting look into such a turbulent time of the author's life. Hopefully Susan Fensten has been able to move on from this tragedy which was truly unbelievable and unrelenting in it's disturbance. It is an unusual case of friendship and deception so pitiless and unyielding that it opened a door to Hell into the author's life: This is an unforgettable story for today's digital world driven by social media in all of its permutations and cruelest forms. Through email correspondence with her new "family" evidence of mental illness dark family secrets a struggle over wealth and bizarre criminal histories emerge. She quickly becomes the focus of sexual obsession and suspicion and her life is completely turned upside down, Remarkable in its complexity this story of Internet stalking is also a sinister and shocking journal of madness, Imagine it's the early 2000's when internet email and social media are really beginning to take hold. com searching for long lost relatives and to your utter amazement when two weeks later your contacted by someone claiming to be your cousin, Now imagine that these long lost family members turn your life into a living hell for the next two years, Profane & pornographic emails threats of death and cannibalism rape torture. Your boyfriend is now being harassed via phone calls threatening his death, You are spiraling down the rabbit hole of despair and can not find any police officer or FBI agent to take you seriously: He was emerging from my email inbox completely upending a person's life: In this case the situation was made even worse due to the lack of protection given by law enforcement- which was especially true when this story took place. But now with the internet and social media stalking has become easier more common creepier and even more terrifying and harder to trace, This book is a non-fiction accounting of one of the most bizarre incidences of internet stalking I've ever heard of, In 2003 after the death of her father publicist Susan Fensten went online hoping to locate any paternal relatives she might have, She hit pay dirt- or so she thinks- but she soon comes to regret her decision when it becomes clear her new 'cousins' have a few sociopathic tendencies: For the next few years her life became a living nightmare, Susan's small support system could be less than consistent with their support often leaving her feeling even more lonely and isolated, However when the FBI finally got involved in the case they uncovered an unbelievable web of mind-boggling cruelty and depravity they described as a case "in a category by itself, "There have been many online advancements since 2003 both good and bad and I couldn't help but think of how different things are now. High speed internet was just

taking a fast hold in 2003 making dial up mostly a thing of the past for most users. Facebook launched in 2004 followed by Twitter in 2006 which provided predators scammers and stalkers entirely new avenues to explore and exploit: However I think we have also become more careful and cautious and less trusting now. This is one of those books you will have to read to believe! This may be one of the strangest true crime books I've read and it is beyond creepy: It will make you stop and think about a lot of things- especially trust. Overall this was a troubling edgy story that will leave you thinking twice about your interactions online and wondering if it's worth the risk. 4 stars 395 When I started reading this I said that it was a bit like watching a multi-car collision in slow motion: 395 Bizarre Horrifying Story This story is one of the most wild and bizarre I've ever read, The family that terrorized Susan seems to be straight out of a horror movie like "The Hills Have Eyes" or something like that: The story is well told and modernly relevant since it involves Internet stalking (just to start. Susan goes online to do a genealogy search to look for her father's family members and finds some cousins she never knew about. She ends up in email contact with them and thinks it might be fun to have more family to know: She shares a bit about herself and emails with Karen who tells her about her brother Leonard and sister Sharon. Things seem normal at first but soon go all Alice in Wonderland with a sinister twist. She's getting strange emails anonymous phone calls and even her boyfriend is getting strange calls on his private cell number too, If you like true crime stories this one might interest you: My thanks for the advance electronic copy that was provided by NetGalley authors Susan Fensten & Brian Whitney and the publisher for my fair review[1]

Coming into the real world. My world. This is what happened to Susan Fensten. The writing flows well and never lost my attention throughout. This review is my own unbiased opinion. A weird and frightening case of cyber stalking. It is long but it is a fast read. I loved it. 395 This is not a typical story of Internet stalking. You post an innocent inquiry on Genealogy. It goes on and on and on and on. You are no longer safe even at work. Dear cousin my cousin Oh cousin so sweet. I've seen where you live I know what you eat. I want to see your eyes when we first meet. He was getting closer I could feel it. Living in constant fear makes life paralyzingly unbearable. I've finished. Reading this book WAS like watching a multi-car crash. from a rickety carnival ride. But it was all true and just so unbelievably strange. It's hard to say too much more without spoiling anything. It's interesting just weird as heck. The madness is spreading and she's becoming frightened. It gets rather frightening about midway through. Full review on my BookZone blog: 395

