

## ***HENRY: A Polish Swimmer's True Story of Friendship from Auschwitz to America by Katrina Shawver***

**Recipient – 2018 Polish Heritage Award – Polish American Congress of Arizona** for “her contribution to the Documentation of the suffering inflicted on Polish people during the Holocaust.”

### **AWARDS**

- 2018 Chanticleer International Book Awards – First Place Category Winner of the 2018 Journey Book Awards for Narrative Non-Fiction.
- 2018 Chanticleer International Book Awards - First Place CIBA 2018 Awards for Memoir.
- 2018 Arizona Authors Association Literary Contest – Winner – Best Published Nonfiction
- 2018 IBPA Benjamin Franklin Award – Silver for Biography
- 2017 The Wishing Shelf Book Awards (UK) – Gold for Adult Non-Fiction
- 2018 Reader Views Literary Awards – Winner in Four categories:
  - First Place Biography, First Place Regional, Best Nonfiction Book of the Year, Best Regional Book of the Year
- 2018 Feathered Quill Book Award – Second-Place for Historical
- 2017 Advice Books (Italy) – Voted Best of 2017

### **WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING:**

“Through all his hardships Henry Zguda never lost hope or his sense of humor which is present throughout the book. This is a much-needed addition to your library.” —***The Polish American Journal***

“We are fortunate that Shawver had the presence of mind to bring Zguda’s story to the world.” —**Leonard Kniffel, member of the Board of Directors of the Polish American Librarians Association and the Polish Museum of America in Chicago**

“Highly recommended.”—**James Conroyd Martin, author of *The Poland Trilogy* and *The Boy Who Wanted Wings***

“...a top 'must have' acquisition for any collection strong in Holocaust survival accounts.”— **D. Donovan, Senior Reviewer, *Midwest Book Review***

“5 Stars! Highly Recommended!” ***Chanticleer Book Reviews***. Winner: First Place CIBA 2018 Awards for Memoir.

“HENRY is a not-to-be-missed book, a man for all seasons, and a man to be upheld as an example of what is good amidst the world’s evils.” --**Geraldine Bereziuk Lowrey, *The Am-Pol Eagle***

“Everyone who reads Henry becomes a witness.”—**Jack Mayer, author of *Life in a Jar: The Irena Sendler Project* and *Before the Court of Heaven***

“We know that we should never forget the Holocaust, and Shawver is ensuring that we won't.”—**John Liffiton, Professor and Director Genocide Conferences, Scottsdale Community College**

"This book is an important addition to Holocaust literature." ~**Valerie Foster, Author, *The Risk of Sorrow: Conversations with Holocaust Survivor, Helen Handler***

"This remarkable true story will take you on a historical journey, filled with a firsthand account of how one man survived the impossible, and then found the love of his life."—**J.L. Witterick, International Best Selling Author of *My Mother's Secret***

"I've read dozens of memoirs of people who survived the camps, and Katrina Shawver's book is among the best."—**John Guzowski, author of *Echoes of Tattered Tongues: Memory Unfolded*, winner of the Eric Hoffer/Montaigne Award**

"Henry is both poignant and inspiring."—**Andrew Nagorski, author of *The Nazi Hunters and Hitlerland***

"Those brave souls who survived World War II are some of the finest examples of courage in our lifetime. Fortunately, Katrina Shawver knew exactly how to bring Henry Zguda's courage to life."— **Judith L. Pearson, author of *The Wolves at the Door: The True Story of America's Greatest Female Spy***

"I worked as a counterintelligence agent in Germany for twenty-five years . . . From those who were victims of the Nazis or those who spoke honestly about their experiences, I can attest that Shawver knows what she is talking about."—**Robert Dukelow, author of *Four Strong Women: A Glimpse of Germany's Untold History 1938-1957***

"Shawver weaves together a riveting, unforgettable tale that captures the unstoppable flight of the human spirit."—**Greg Archer, author of *Grace Revealed* and *Huffington Post* columnist**

"A remarkable feat of writing! Bravo for humanity!"—**Marcia Fine, author of *Hidden Ones, The Blind Eye, and Paper Children - An Immigrant's Legacy***

"Best book I have read on Auschwitz!"—**J. R. Sharp, CDR USN (ret), author, *Feeding the Enemy***

"Indeed, Henry serves as a witness to history about the millions of innocent people, and not only Jews, who suffered at the hands of the Nazis. It should not be forgotten."—**Jerry Amernic, author of *The Last Witness***

"Extraordinarily Powerful" and "Flawlessly Written" – **Book Viral**

"*Henry – A Polish Swimmer's True Story of Friendship from Auschwitz to America* by -Katrina Shawver is one of those books I take pleasure in reading." -- **Zohar - Man of la Book**

"This reader read every single word and even went back. It's one you won't want to miss and shouldn't miss. Highly recommend story." **Amy's Bookshelf Reviews - ranked #2 book of 2017.**

"The author allowed to understand this enormous and unspeakable tragedy from another perspective, not only the one about the Jews, always reported with a great respect and sensitivity, but the history of all those who were deported by the Nazis..." **Advicesbooks. Winner of Literary Prize for Best Read of 2017, New Author.**