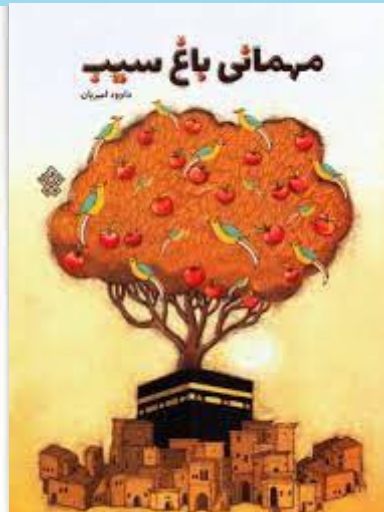


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## About the Author:

# Davoud Amirian (1970-Kerman)

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Davoud Amirian is a writer who well-known figure in Iranian children's and young adult literature. His main interest in the subject is war literature. He published his memories of the Iran-Iraq war at the age of twenty. Satire and the presence of young active and ambitious youths are characteristics of Amiriyan's works. A lot of his books have been published in Iran and other countries, for instance in Russia. Among them are:

- Heaven for you (1980),
- Mr. Mayor (2000),
- Friends don't say goodbye (2003),
- The scarecrow of the fiery farm (2003),
- World cup in Javadiye (2004)-

Amiriyan's books were awarded in different book festivals and prizes such as the Islamic Republic of Iran Book of the Year, Holy Defense Book of the Year, and Book of the Season Award.

## Sample of Works:

### Title: Final Battle



*Publisher: Navid-e Shahed Pubs.*

*No. of Pages: 128*

*Size: 21× 14/Paperback*

*ISBN: 9789641337*

The burning tires' black smoke filled the street. The sound of bullets and slogans came from every corner. Several soldiers had kneeled and pointed their weapons toward the people. Mohsen crawled army style on the ground along a gutter, picked up a piece of rock and threw it to the tear gas. The rock hit the commander's head and he yelled, a moment later, a mass of stone and brick rained on the soldiers. The soldiers fled. The people moved toward the US embassy in Tehran, shouting slogans. The crowd reached the embassy's large gate. The embassy security shot big, red,

teargas canisters from the embassy's yard to the street. Mohsen, along with the other kids, ignited the tires to prevent the teargas dispersion and . . . The third volume of this book, titled The Final Battle, reviews the life of martyr Mohsen Vezvai and includes sections such as:

The Martyr's Biography; Toward the US Embassy; The Conquerors of the Spy Nest; I Am a Revolutionary Guard; The Commander; The Last Reconnaissance; The Enemy Artillery; The Capture of Saddam; The Final Battle.

## Title: The Wandering Shrapnel Fragments (5 Vols.)



**Publisher:** *Navid Shahed Pubs.*

**Size:** *16 × 21/Paperback*

**\* Whole English text is available.**

**About the Series:** "Wandering Shrapnel" is the title of the five-volume collection of humorous stories of Sacred Defense. This collection includes five volumes, each book with about five to ten stories. These books are involved stories with expressions mixed with humor about those who fight to defend their land. The books contain stories that show accurate pictures of the war to the new generation through interesting characters and multiple actions.

**About the Books:**

**The Mercenary Brothers:** *No. of Pages: 56, ISBN: 9789643943493*

A preteen desires to go to the war front to fight. But he is not allowed because he is too young. But his persistence caused him to succeed in obtaining a copy of the relevant application form to do so. He has to fill out the application form and get two people to sign it. He goes to two of the shopkeepers in the neighborhood and asks them to sign it. But nobody is willing to sign it as people know that he is a

naughty boy and drives everyone crazy. He eventually persuades people and tricks two men into signing his application form. "The Mercenary Brothers" is the first volume of the collection of "Stray Shielding". This 5-volume series is based on the writer's war front memoirs, which while addressing teenagers, has ironic literature. This work has a fluent prose text which improves its memorable style. The stories are short. The titles of the book's stories include the Trustee of our Neighborhood; the naive shelling, Iraqi Godzilla; Persepolis *Hurray!*; The Gluttonous, the gifts, the teen chief, the Mercenary Brothers! Tab Tab Abbasi, Abbas's Cervix.

**Jassim Rambo** *No. of Pages: 68, ISBN: 9789643943509*

Jassim Rambo, an Iraqi POW, is captured by an Iraqi, whose figure looks like the American Rambo. He voluntarily came to the forefront and was captured by the Iranians after a while. He initially attempted to run away but failed. However, he always kept thinking of escaping while having different plans. Thus he was constantly making trouble for the Iranians. The book is the second volume of the book series Stray Shelling, which includes eight stories with the following titles: Crazy about the War Front; Amirza Abdul Tama; In Search of the Hero; Jasim-the-Rambo; Pofaki, That disastrous Night; Namaki and His Assistant, and One Step away from the Qibla.

**Shemr and Saddam and His Followers:** *No. of Pages: 72, ISBN: 9789643943516*

On that day, several city officials had come to the fighters' camp to visit the front. There was no one except me in the camp. I looked for the camp mayor inside the tents. I saw an obese man who was praying in one of the tents. I asked him whether he was the mayor and he replied yes. I asked him to help me tidy up the camp and save the day. We quickly swept the floor all over and washed the dishes. The commander walked with the guests around the camp. When they got closer, the

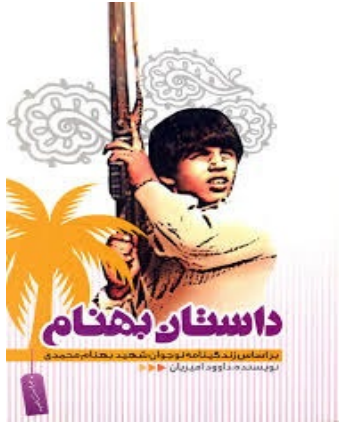
guests asked with surprise, “Mr. Mayor, what are you doing here?!”The present book is the third volume of *The Wandering Shrapnel Fragments* book series with nine stories. The titles of the stories are as follows: *The Dead and The Washer of the Dead, Dive into the Water; Spiritual Bounty Hunters! The Runaway; The Man Who was a mayor; The Living Mannequins; A Lucky Incident; One Hundred to the right, Fifty to the Left; Shemr and Saddam and His Followers.*

**Maradona in the Enemy’s Trench: No. of Pages: 60, ISBN: 9789643943523**

Nasser was looking for an Iraqi officer in the trenches. The two of us had missed the battalion. I asked him what he was looking for. He said he was looking for an Iraqi to ask him about the outcome of the World Cup finals. At that time, they brought in a group of Iraqi POWs. Nasser rushed to them and asked about the outcome in Arabic. One of the captives said that Argentina had won. Nasser jumped up joyfully and the other Iraqi POWs rejoiced with him and shouted, “Maradona, Maradona”. The present book is the fourth volume of *The Wandering Shrapnel Fragments* book series). This illustrated book contains six satiric stories with the following titles:

*Maradona in the Enemy’s Trench!, Champions of the Asian Final; Purple Scream in the Operating Room; The Friend of Snakes and Scorpions, An Upsetting Revenge; Soirée in Hell.*

## Title: Behnam's Story



*Publisher: Navid-e Shahed Pubs.*

*No. of Pages: 159*

*Size: 21× 14/Paperback*

*ISBN: 9789647691564*

**\* Whole English text is available.**

It is the story of Behnam Mohammadi Rad, a 13-year-old teenager from Khorramshahr, who in the wake of the Imposed War and the Iraqi invasion of Khorramshahr, begins to defend the city and finally gets martyred. The book, along with the retelling of the story, reflects on the outline of Khorramshahr At the beginning of the Iraqi invasion, the situation of the defenseless people of this city, and the sacrifices of the adolescents and the youth of the city to defend the city. In this book, we get a picture of the beginning of the Iran-Iraq war, the events of the first days of the war, and the brave fights of the people, who in an unequal and alley-to-alley battle, defended their soil and



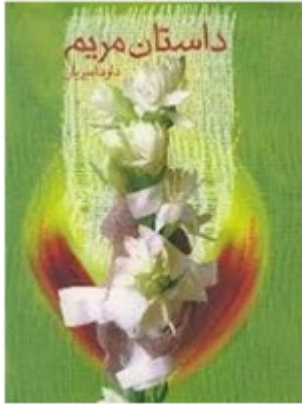
home with the least facilities and hand-made bombs. We get to know an adolescent who abruptly turns into a great person which makes one wonder.

In this book, the life of martyr Behnam Mohammadi has been researched and presented eloquently and attractively in the form of fiction that enthusiastically carries the reader along. The prose of the story, like many of his other works, is very close to the language used down the street and at the marketplace.

The book consists of three major historical epochs: before the revolution, the process of the revolution, and the Imposed War.

The writer, due to choosing an omniscient viewpoint, could have written more about the victory of the revolution and articulated the scenes of the victory of the revolution. The book *Behnam's Story* is a readable work in the young adults' book genre and reading it, the reader sympathizes with the story's hero, which encourages him to read the book.

## Title: Maryam's Story



*Publisher: Navid-e Shahed Pubs.*

*No. of Pages: 128*

*Size: 21× 14/Paperback*

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The present book is about the life of a female nurse, Maryam Farhanian, who went to the war front to help the wounded fighters and was martyred during the war. The author retells her life story in the form of an interesting and readable story based on the interviews with Maryam's close friends, especially her mother. The book is set up into 3 sections and each section has 7 chapters. The first chapter deals with the life of martyr Maryam Farhanian and the beginning of the war, the second chapter is about her activities behind the battlefield and caring for the wounded, and the third chapter describes Maryam's injuries and martyrdom. From the very beginning, the book tells the audience that the author was not into "mere

historiography”, but wanted to introduce Maryam as a fictional character to the reader so that the text would go beyond the retelling of memories and embody a fictional tone.

**Book Expert:** “It is very bad that we, at this time that we are near the summit, turn back and surrender. Based on the commander’s permission, I have decided to go up to Bale. Anyone who wants to accompany me, say Ya-Ali (O’ Ali: to start an endeavor) and come along!” It seemed that a fresh spirit blew into their bodies. All got up and followed the commander, who was smiling happily. The war begins.

Twenty-one days after the outbreak of the war, Mehdi flew, and then a fifteen-year-old teenager flew from the hospital with thirsty lips, “As soon as Maryam arrived at the hospital, she quickly went to see Hussein Nikzad. But Hussein’s bed was vacant. Hussein’s roommates turned their faces away as they saw Maryam. Maryam was anxious. She went to the nurses’ quarters and asked about Hussein.

## Title: Vernal Man



***Publisher: Madresse Pubs.***

***No. of Pages: 168***

***Size: 21× 14/Paperback***

***ISBN: 7-1542-08-964-978***

"AghKand village is surrounded by snow. For days, no one has been able to go to the surrounding cities or villages. Faraj and butcher Jamshid with the help of Sarkhai gunmen have flown at the people of the village in a rage. Now, these violent gunslingers are the real rulers of this surrounding village in the snow... Until a frostbitten and barefoot stranger from the snow-capped mountains reached the village... Once again, the sound of bullets echoes in the plain, and the surrounding mountains are not as peaceful as before. The sound of shots that this time, not all bullets are fired from Sarkhai men's rifles. Spring is coming and important events are happening that make this village and its residents go through a different experience. Vernal man creates a new season (clause) for the people of AghKand village.

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