

*“Anumpa Warrior* tells the history of the Choctaw Code Talkers in an exciting and new way—through the eyes and emotions of fictional characters we have come to know and love through Sarah Elisabeth Sawyer. As a three-decade collector and student of Code Talker information, I was delighted to see that Sarah has woven accurate details of history into an exciting and memorable book. Her dedication to research is apparent on every page. Thank you, Sarah!”

**Judy Allen, Historic Projects Officer,  
Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma**

“A deeply moving book that explores events of several men in WWI who became known as CODE TALKERS. The book takes the reader on a journey of emotions and touches on what is real.”

**Nuchi Nashoba, President,  
Choctaw Code Talkers Association**

“I was spellbound, speechless, and teary eyed. Sarah has given life to what might otherwise have remained obscure historical facts and vague memories from 100 years ago. I'm amazed at the reality she managed to weave into such a multi-faceted story of courage, ingenuity, and diversity. As a Southeast Oklahoma Choctaw, I'm honored and proud of the service of these young Choctaw soldiers. As the granddaughter of a WWI Choctaw Code Talker, I am deeply affected by the way Sarah told their story.”

**Beth (Frazier) Lawless,  
granddaughter of Tobias Frazier**

“Sarah is a truly a gifted storyteller and author and I say *châpeau*, hats off to you! This is such a great story that needed to be told and shared with the world. Her eloquent style and words give it so much life and spirit. Your book left me with a very strong, uplifting message.”

**Jeffrey Aarnio, former superintendent,  
American Battle Monuments Commission**

“In Anumpa Warrior, Sarah Elisabeth Sawyer has produced a fine work, capturing the savagery and waste of the Great War, while making a subtle comparison with the historical sufferings of the Choctaw Nation. Her vivid description of attempts to suppress the use of the Choctaw language mirrors similar moves in my own homeland to outlaw the use of Welsh, the most ancient of all the European dialects. Welsh is today flourishing again, thanks partly to combat on the rugby field, where thousands of voices sing the Welsh national anthem to overawe their opponents. Sarah’s narrative describes the seminal moment when the Choctaw Nation also regained pride in their native tongue through combat, but on the bloody battlefields of Northern France.”

**Roger Branfill-Cook, Meuse-Argonne  
historian, author, translator and tour guide**

“Well written and very accurate historically. I was captivated by B.B.’s experiences that made him who he was. The human experiences brought the facts to life.”

**Erin Fehr (Yup’ik), Archivist,  
University of Arkansas at Little Rock,  
Sequoyah National Research Center**

“This book brings the faded black and white photos of World War I to life in what is easily the most enticing stories from World War I that I have ever read. The reader stands there with the Choctaw Code Talkers through their struggles and sees the war from the eyes of the Native Americans who were there.”

**Paul Porter, WWI collector,  
living history presenter**

“It is heartening to see our Chahta people telling our Chahta stories. I hope this will help reach a large audience and enable them to see and become a part of our rich history and traditions.”

**Chantelle Standefer,  
WWI Code Talker descendant**

*“Anumpa Warrior* (Language Warrior) is the first novel on the Choctaw Code Talkers of World War I. Combining extensive historical research on the code talkers, insights into Choctaw culture, solid character development, and stimulating narrative, Choctaw author Sarah Elisabeth Sawyer has written a gem.”

**Dr. William C. Meadows,  
Missouri State University  
Code Talker scholar**