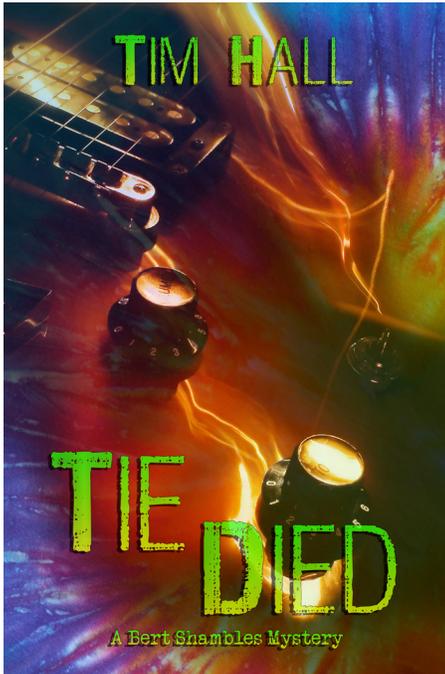


# TIE DIED

## A Bert Shambles Mystery

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*Whoever said that thing about how no man is an island probably doesn't live on one.*

**M**et Bert Shambles, Long Island's best amateur sleuth—unfortunately. The 23-year old thrift shop employee is living back in his suburban hometown, after an act of chivalry that went terribly wrong. He has to stay employed and out of trouble or risk going to jail—which wouldn't be a problem, except Bert has a knack for being at the wrong place at the wrong time. He's chivalrous and honest, and almost always returns his mother's calls, but when danger surfaces on the quiet streets of his suburban hometown Bert always finds himself caught in the middle. Maybe it's his name—after all, what else would you expect from a guy named Shambles?

*According to my mom our name was originally Chambliss, but got mangled by some Ellis Island guard when my ancestors emigrated from France in the 1800s. I've often wondered why nobody bothered to change it back. Maybe it was some weird French pride thing, I don't know.*

**I**n TIE DIED, Bert is hired to help a beautiful hippie sell her deceased father's music memorabilia. But others are eager to get a crack at the collection too. At a local music festival Bert witnesses the tragic electrocution of a rock singer. Was it a simple accident, or something more shocking? As Bert and Scarlet investigate, powerful forces begin working against them. But it isn't until Bert's beautiful, headstrong girlfriend returns unexpectedly from a trip that the sparks truly begin to fly.

**"Tie Died is a trip through murder, mayhem, and the music scene of the sixties, and Tim Hall's writing is as addictive as a catchy guitar riff. An entertaining tale told with warmth and wit."**

—Diane Vallere, author of the *Mad For Mod*, *Material Witness* and *Style & Error* mystery series

Praise for 2013's DEAD STOCK:

**"When reading Dead Stock, it's difficult to determine what is bigger, Hall's imagination, heart, or sense of humor. Shambles is an amazing character."**

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