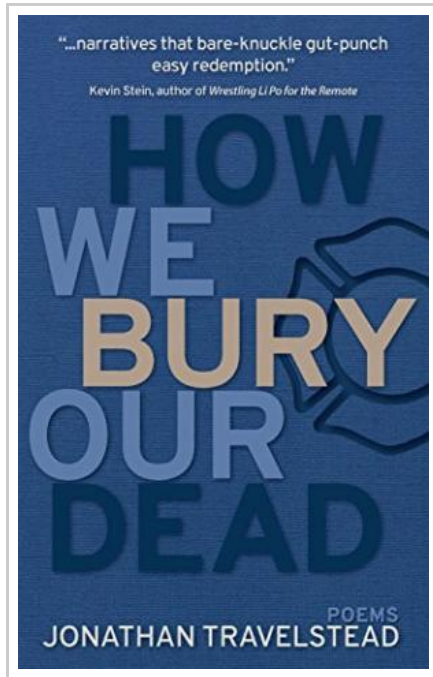



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How We Bury Our Dead (Paperback)

By Jonathan Travelstead

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