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*A Mother's Story of  
Her Son's Addiction*

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This is the best book I've read in awhile! Fabulously written, heartfelt and very true portrayal of the dis-ease of addiction. I am a juvenile probation officer and work with lots of kids that are addicts. In time, as the degree and persistence of the issues escalate, Swenson and her spouse begin to break through their denial, realizing he has a problem and then attempt to do all in their power to save him from himself. Joey becomes her main focus, though she is aware she actually is neglecting her youthful son, Rick. She grabbed my interest from the first web page and held me turning the web pages until the end. Five Stars This is a hard but heart-warming book to learn. Swenson maps her grueling trip through facing the addiction which has stolen her son from her and awakens to the stark reality that she actually is fighting an countless battle between the cunning beast of addiction and the undying love she's for her son. This is a great reserve! Through the pain and heartache and after years of enduring her son's lies, manipulations, and ongoing havoc that go with addiction, Swenson begins to look inward and cope with her dependence on her son's addiction. This thanksgiving he stole and totaled my car. I enjoyed this reserve very much Good tale! She tracks Joey daily on social media marketing, drives around to get him, pays a large number of dollar for rehab treatment. Her courage in stepping out and posting such heartache therefore openly is a way to obtain inspiration and expect any mother or parent coping with a child who is struggling with addiction. Her memoir may also serve as an excellent resource for those dealing with the addicted population. That is a story that will stick with me as I cope with loving and allowing go of but not giving up by myself addicted son. All too familiar Sadly, I can relate to this woman's story. I, too, experienced most of the same experiences and emotions. Heart wrenching, well written A very well written, witty, raw narrative. I saw my gorgeous boy turn into something I no longer understood. So many sleepless nights...hating for the phone to ring, but at the same time, hoping it would therefore i would know he was safe. He liked us so much, I understand he under no circumstances thought that could happen to him. It had been just too hard, but I admire individuals who can do that. Unfortunately, my son died due to his disease of dependence on drugs. I got that phone call... Very good story Perfectly written and a heartbreaking story. I could not bring myself to take the same brave guidelines the author took. He would do not have wanted to hurt us so much. Many thanks for sharing your journey with us. It's the story of my child and the tragedy of drug addiction and alcoholism...is. This book put a lot of things in perspective for me and I know that anyone who reads it will only gain knowledge and better und I received this publication on fri and had it go through by saturday. As Joey, her shiny and talented son who held so very much promise skates through high school and prepares for university, behavioral changes transmission concern but nothing more than typical teen missteps. This publication put a lot of things in perspective for me and I know that anyone that reads it will only gain knowledge and better understand the disease. Thanks for publishing this publication and sharing your daily life with the world! While we can't fix some stuff, this publication is beautifully written, easy to read, touches base with what you're going right through, and is completely inspirational. It's been an enormous roller coaster ride. An incredible read! Its a great book.! As a parent, searching for that magic word or thing we are able to do to have them back on the right track...yep that's also my pleasure joy pleasure. It helped to learn another mothers struggles and find she did the same things I did so and I thought I was the only person that bad. I'm not really rich, and Joey hasn't experienced a whole lot of great possibilities, but he's acquired many choices he could have produced, and he find the big h. It's terrible on the family, as a mom you're trying so difficult to help him you are not paying attention to the types trying to do good. My Joey happens to be in jail as of last week. I got the book Saturday and was completed Sunday evening. Thank you Sandra, I let go. I hope this helps him. Ever. She will take responsibility for her own curing while loving her child and not feeding the addiction. It's been a rough ride, but I thank you with all my center. Us dynamic is a little different, and it produced me query myself as a mother or father, mistakes I have produced and what I did to make my girl want to start doing medications to be numb. I needed this book I simply finished reading "The Joey Melody". Reading it had been like reading a lot of our own story. I sent the reserve to a friend of mine who requirements it, but asked her to send it to my ex when she is done. Generally, the majority of us parents with addicts did the very best we could, we also know inside our minds that we didn't perform this to our kids, but in our hearts we continuously wonder what we could have or must have done differently. I found myself shaking my head during a few of the stories, the things our addicts come up with to manipulate and get their method. The blatant disrespect, entitlement and misuse, and it's still not their fault. Last Xmas

I was picking him up from the er. It's so easy to see what's happening from the outside, but not if it is your own kid. You want to believe the good in them, even if it's for a minute, that they're in there somewhere just struggling to reunite out. I bought the book because of my Joey, and the melody. It's gut wrenching and soul sucking. It had been an psychological and well written read. It can help you to see you are not alone. Thanks for writing this book. I hope it helps most of us, who unfortunately have already been there, or is there, to be solid and stay strong when we need to, and that even though we have an enormous hole inside our hearts that we can get on with our own lives, and live. My prayers are with you all. Thanks a lot for writing. Loved this! With unflinching honesty and vivid details Swenson paints the grim actuality of addiction and its impact upon her young son, her family and society. Unfortunately extremely relatable, I could not put it down. Nonetheless it helps to know there are other moms out there that understand how hard the struggle was. All the feelings is there, the shame, the judgement, the looks and whispers, as culture quietly blames the issue on poor parenting. Mourning the loss of expectations and dreams, a mothers desperation to "repair" her son. yep that's also my pleasure joy joy I actually messaged Sandra for writing this book. I would recommend this to any mother struggling with a child with addiction! I am struggling with my Joey since he was 16, he is 25 now. He had overdosed. God Bless you and lovely Joey! I saw the way my family was torn apart, taken to our knees, begging and praying for something to improve. It's an exceptionally sad tale and the author is quite honest about the errors she made and the pain her son's addiction caused her whole family. And Joey gets worse despite all her valiant initiatives. You're Not Alone If you or someone you know is struggling with an addiction, please get this reserve. Sandra helps lead a lot of people into recovery their hearts from the devastating effects of addiction. Gripping, honest, inspirational tale of a mother's love for her son in the face of addiction Joey's Music is a heart wrenching and natural glimpse into the life of a mom whose teenage boy is in the grips of medication addiction. I loved this book because the writer was soo transparent about everything! My son can be an addict and is definitely soo a lot longer like Joey its unbelievable! What actually helped me was viewing I was not the only real mom who did things that she did to keep her son secure she thought. It was amazing. She learns to let go in a way that does not mean giving up. Must read Took me fourteen days to learn cause It touched me personally to the key of my soul Cried could not believe how my child would say the same terms the same actions and the same ways he'd treat me. Thank you so very much for writing this! Five Stars Great book, very effective!??? Good story! Swenson's tone of voice is legitimate, engaging and effective. I enjoyed this publication very much.



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