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## Geezer Stories: The Care and Feeding of Old People



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maybe more than enough to get us through the soul-crushing moments. We are the Taffy Generation, pulled into two different directions. (It's nuther conversation). Just as our babies didn't include an operator. As we live longer and also have children later, we find our parents getting frail and helpless, just as our kids are becoming independent and departing the nest (or not really, but that's We'Geezer Tales). It's uncomfortable to talk about the unpleasant realities of growing old and having those End of Lifestyle discussions border on being downright taboo. But if we are able to somehow find the humor and humanity in it, maybe we ease the pain a little—Growing Old is Not for the Faint of Heart. In the end, what choice do we really have? None of us are getting out of right here alive. We're all flying blind as our parents slide into their second childhoods. It's about finding the happy in the heartache. It's regarding forgiveness, letting go of the past, loving imperfectly. It's a whole 'nuther regarding accepting our parents' failings in addition to our own. It's a how-to guide for taking care of previous folks. It's about discovering that intangible sense of community and support most of us need as we face this uncharted journey of parenting our parents together with compassion and shared understanding.



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Laura's writing is so brutally honest, you feel such as a fly on the wall for all the moments. It's face paced and funny. Geezer Stories It had been good. I kept tissues handy and watched Laura's story, feeling therefore a lot of my own tale in ways she couldn't possess known except through her deep acceptance that family members relationships can simultaneously be our greatest joy and our very best heartache. Together they show us that "Growing older isn't for the faint of center" and "Old age is a complete time job. Linking with it on on therefore many levels, I consumed this book in one sitting." I laughed out loud in areas, cried in others. our hearts break for reasons not necessarily relating to loss: we find joy in unexpected ways; highly recommended In sharing her connection with looking after her elderly parents, Mansfield provides readers with a raw, courageous, and touching account. ESSENTIAL Read - the future is bright for Laura Mansfield! Down. It.). It's true and complete, with angst, yearning, and like intertwined, from cradle to the grave. I feel like a better, even more understanding person for having browse it. I'm so grateful this publication is out there. Being truly a daughter from the South, I possibly could identify with the heroes, the family dynamics and the struggles associated with aging parents and siblings functioning together. our youth is certainly ever part of our thinking; It is brilliant, beautiful, and so relatable. a must read! It is a must examine for anyone - whoever has ever cherished and lost... from starting to end.. And the struggle to find out what mending looks like. in one sitting.. I laughed and cried and longed for more when I finished. Hilarious, cathartic, thought-provoking It's been years since I needed to avoid everything to sit back and read a publication. Laugh and cry.. right there in the room with them living it yourself. When I finished the publication, I wept.. Laura is like a companion -- sharing the humor along with the angst, the eye-rolling moments together with the tender surprises, yet generally faithful in her caregiving. because well, existence. You will keep this reserve introspective about your life and the life of those you like. She taken care of this with grace, humor and dignity. It's destined to become a movie with Reese Witherspoon playing Laura. Both of my parents are lifeless, and these humorous and unfortunate tales of struggles throughout their deaths hit extremely near home.! Put. We downloaded this marvelous publication yesterday and read everything in one day." One has the choice to laugh or cry when lifestyle disappoints. Brilliant, beautiful, relatable. Therefore highly recommended! I just binge read this reserve. I read aloud chapters to my husband, who has also lost both of his parents, and he was visably transferred. I will reread the hard duplicate when it ships and decelerate and revel in this snapshot of living and loving and losing in the South. Laura Mansfield may be the real deal and I am hoping that this may be the to begin many books later on! Kindle version - tough to read This feedback is solely about the functionality of the Kindle version. I'm very excited about reading the book (and have enjoyed it so far). Review from a follower of the initial #geezerstories!) are so small that they are not really legible. I'm sure that is just a technology/formatting issue which can be conveniently fixed. No matter how large I make the font size of the actual book, how big is these screenshots does not change. I even pulled out the strongest magnifying glass I have, but still couldn't examine them! I couldn't discover another way to supply this feedback, so am sending it via a review. This Reserve Finds Joy.. The composing is rich. The facet of the book that I enjoyed the very best is that the author tells the story in an exceedingly "Southern" way. Yet there are common truths;. I highlighted some places, savored others, and appeared forward to reading even more. and, I believe, many of us sincerely hope that our parents discover peace as they reach the limits of their lives. This book describes most of these truths while making sure to find the joy.. Its format displays our present as well as our past. It really is fast but classic. And it will resonate for generations to arrive. Laura Mansfield weaves the each day details of helping her parents as their bodies fail,

their recollections fade and her family finds methods to accept their passing. She describes with humor and kindness what it means to be a daughter/caregiver/single-mom/ professional and a thoughtful female looking for her very own answers. Further, throughout everything Mansfield finds methods to understand her siblings because they as well grapple with letting go of the past to be able to embrace their parents within their new situations and a future without them. Care-giving comes in many forms. She's good like this. Go through it. Laugh. Cry. And then give your parents a hug. Hopefully, they do their best. Hopefully, we will do the same. Heartstrings Having cared, tended and fed my unruly parents as part of the Sandwich Generation, Geezer Stories hit me personally hard in the best possible way. You will immediately become drawn into Laura Mansfield's world of caring for DooDaddy and Gmamma. I didn't wish to because I wanted to savor every page and every beautifully written paragraph, but I just couldn't stop. Geezer Stories chooses the former to tackle the real-life, tough topic of caring for maturing parents. You can't simply clock out for a buying spree. Style reminds me of other feminine authors who write about the South This book was so easy to read and revel in even though it is about an extremely personal and serious subject. When it comes to watching the ultimate days of our extremely elderly parents, we each have our own story. It's not always roses and sunshine as we find out about the heartache and divides that are part of every family.. reminds me of several memories:). Love this book Love this publication. It's care and attention and feeding, yes, and so much more. I really like this reserve like I love To Destroy a Mockingbird, Breaking Evening, and A Girl Called Zippy. It's resilience shoring up hearts damaged and hearts willing – in some way – to become mended.. We travel years, moving seamlessly from one vignette to some other. Laura's style is certainly poignant and captivating. The writer helps these loveable outdated "geezers" onto the stage and lets them present us what it's like, inform it how it really is. This book offers a healthy perspective. It's the 2018 version of Divine Secrets of the Ya-Ya's meets Tennessee Williams meets Existence Among the Savages. We need another reserve from you, Laura. I hope you're already writing it. Nevertheless, in the kindle edition, the screenshots of Laura's Facebook articles (which add color and levity to the story--a critical factor for various other caregivers of geezers! From begin to finish a tale of love in probably the most challenging of circumstances - and one we will probably all face, if you're not already. Relatable, honest, and brave. Essential read for anyone charged with the treatment of aging parents. A great companion for the caregiving journey! If the title, Geezer Stories: The Care and Feeding of Old People, doesn't entice you, just crack open the publication and begin reading a few lines. Using humor and bare bones vulnerability, the author shares her story of how to like "in spite of... I came across myself tearing up, even while I smiled and chuckled, remembering my very own days of looking after my aging parents. Laura Mansfield's book is a companion you will want to possess on that blessed and rocky trip.... You will laugh and cry from cover to cover as you follow the writer and her parents on the last days of their life jointly. Not just a how to reserve on the "care and feeding" of the elderly but a lesson on how to forgive and accept ones own parents during their last days; lives well lived and well crafted about. Beautifully written & It stimulated thoughtful conversations between my husband and me about growing up, parenting, forgiveness, and how come we were having onions for supper again (Couldn't. While progressing through the chapters, the inherent humor brings levity to the challenging and often frustrating events associated with such caregiving. It's a breath of fresh air for anyone that can relate and highly recommended for those who may be approaching similar circumstances in life. Truthful, Heartwarming and Bold: Laura really delivers This book was a tender, heartfelt, and truthful connection with a loving daughter stepping up to care for her elderly parents. I was glued to very page and cannot wait

around to learn my hard copy when it arrives. I was glad to become a part of her globe for that point in her lifestyle. There's not really a single little bit of authorial arrogance or judgement or psychological manipulation. I also bought one for someone else! Good Read An honest and touching accounts of looking after family.



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