

Recommended Reading

Here is a list of books that members of our team and other caregivers have found helpful. You may want to look into them and see if one or more might be a good fit for you:

Books About Dementia

- A Caregiver's Guide to Lewy Body Dementia by Helen Buell Whitworth and James A. Whitworth
- Alzheimer's Through the Stages: A Caregiver's Guide by Mary Moller
- Coping with Behavior Change in Dementia: A Family Caregiver's Guide by Beth Spencer and Laurie White
- Hear/say: Stories about aging, dementia, art, and life (collaboration between UCSF Memory and Aging Center and Voice of Witness)
- Help is Here: When someone you love has dementia by Marian Hodges and Anne P. Hill
- Learning to Speak Alzheimer's: A Groundbreaking Approach for Everyone Dealing with the Disease by Joanne Koenig Coste
- Still Alice (novel) by Lisa Genova
- The 36-Hour Day: A Family Guide to Caring for People Who Have Alzheimer's Disease, Related Dementias and Memory Loss by Nancy L. Mace
- The Problem of Alzheimer's Disease: How Science Culture and Politics Turned a Rare Disease into a Crisis and What We Can Do About It by Jason Karlawish

Books By People With Dementia

- Alzheimer's from the Inside Out by Richard Taylor
- Dancing with Dementia: My Story of Living Positively with Dementia by Christine Bryden
- On Pluto: Inside the Mind of Alzheimer's by Greg O'Brien and Lisa Genova

Books About Caregiving



- A Curious Kind of Widow: Loving a Man with Advanced Alzheimer's by Ann Davidson
- A Three Dog Life by Abigail Thomas
- Already Toast: Caregiving and Burnout in America by Kate Washington
- Can't We Talk about Something More Pleasant?: A Memoir by Roz Chast
- Caring for a Loved One with Dementia: A Mindfulness-Based Guide for Reducing Stress and Making the Best of Your Journey Together by Marguerite Manteau-Rao and Kevin Barrows
- Creating Moments of Joy Along the Alzheimer's Journey: A Guide for Families and Caregivers by Jolene Brackey
- Losing Lou-Ann by Clinton A. Erb
- Loving Someone Who Has Dementia: How to Find Hope while Coping with Stress and Grief by Pauline Boss
- My Father's Brain: Life in the Shadow of Alzheimer's by Sandeep Jauhar
- Passages in Caregiving: Turning Chaos into Confidence by Gail Sheehy
- Ten Thousand Joys & Ten Thousand Sorrows: A Couple's Journey Through Alzheimer's by Olivia Ames Hoblitzelle
- The Caregiver's Guide to Dementia: Practical Advice for Caring for Yourself and Your Loved One by Gail Weatherill
- The Caregiver's Tao Te Ching: Compassionate Caring for Your Loved Ones and Yourself by William Martin and Nancy Martin
- When Waves Rise: Navigating Difficult Moments Associated with Dementia by Sarah Viola
- When Your Aging Parent Needs Help: A Geriatrician's Step-by-Step Guide to Memory Loss, Resistance, Safety Worries, & More by Leslie Kernisan and Paula Spencer Scott
- Where the Light Gets In: Losing my mother only to find her again by Kimberly Williams-Paisley with foreword by Michael J. Fox
- The Soul of Care: The Moral Education of a Husband and a Doctor by Arthur Kleinman



Books About Grief and Loss

- · A Grief Observed by C. S. Lewis
- Getting to the Other Side of Grief: Overcoming the Loss of a Spouse by Susan J. Zonnebelt-Smeenge and Robert C. De Vries
- Finding meaning: The Sixth Stage of Grief by David Kessler
- Healing After Loss: Daily Meditations for Working Through Grief by Martha Whitmore Hickman
- How to Carry What Can't Be Fixed: A Journal for Grief by Megan Divine
- I'm Grieving as Fast as I Can: How Young Widows and Widowers can Cope and Heal by Linda Feinberg
- It's OK That You're Not OK: Meeting Grief and Loss in a Culture That Doesn't Understand by Megan Divine
- Sacred Dying: Creating Rituals for Embracing the End of Life by Megory Anderson
- Visions, Trips, and Crowded Rooms: Who and What You See Before You Die by David Kessler
- · That Changes Everything by Lucy Hone and Karen Reivich
- The Book of Job: When Bad Things Happened to a Good Person by Harold S. Kushner
- Watching Their Dance: Three Sisters, A Genetic Disease and Marrying into a Family At Risk for Huntington's by Therese Crutcher-Marin

