

# Goodbye Friend Healing Wisdom For Anyone Who Has Ever Lost A Pet

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A dog is for life, but an old dog's wisdom is for ever. Full of practical advice, uplifting stories, and scientific expertise, this book reveals how dogs can be a constant source of wisdom, comfort, and love in their old age. The perfect Christmas present for anyone who treasures these wonderful animals.

A companion workbook to the bereavement classic.

From the author of the bestselling *Anam Cara* comes a beautiful collection of blessings to help readers through both the everyday and the extraordinary events of their lives. John O' Donohue, Irish teacher and poet, has been widely praised for his gift of drawing on Celtic spiritual traditions to create words of inspiration and wisdom for today. In *To Bless the Space Between Us*, his compelling blend of elegant, poetic language and spiritual insight offers readers comfort and encouragement on their journeys through life. O' Donohue looks at life's thresholds—getting married, having children, starting a new job—and offers invaluable guidelines for making the transition from a known, familiar world into a new, unmapped territory. Most profoundly, however, O' Donohue explains “blessing” as a way of life, as a lens through which the whole world is transformed. O' Donohue awakens readers to timeless truths and shows the power they have to answer contemporary dilemmas and ease us through periods of change.

Professional bereavement counselor Wallace Sife updates and expands his book for readers who need help coping with and understanding this particular kind of grief. 30 photos.

*A Book of Blessings*

*To Bless the Space Between Us*

*Revolutionary Spirits*

*Buckley's Story*

*A 30 Day Guide to Healing from the Loss of Your Pet*

*What Do I Do?: Making Decisions and Healing the Trauma of Pet Loss*

*Preparing for and Mourning the Loss of Your Pet*

In this thoughtful book, Allen and Linda Anderson walk you through the numbing pain and dreadful sense of loss that arise when a beloved animal dies. They offer solace to help you deal with grief, remember and honor key moments in the animal's life, find comfort through groups and with professionals, and get past the depression. They also include exercises, affirmations, and meditations to use through the various stages of grief. The Andersons' caring, practical advice covers all aspects of pet loss, offering guidance on: helping children grieve, honoring your religious beliefs, grieving for runaway pets, helping others know what to say or do to console you, planning an appropriate memorial ceremony or tribute. The book also explores the concept of after-death experiences of departed companion animals and relates many beautiful stories, including the Rainbow Bridge story, that reinforce the love and sense of peace that come from honoring the place animals hold in our lives. The purpose of this book is to provide a resource to help animal owners work through the pain anticipating or following the loss of their pet. In our society there is often a message that there must be something wrong with anyone who feels despair or "falls apart" over the loss of an animal. Because of this message, the "survivors" of animal loss are often left feeling alone and "crazy" because they are having such a strong reaction to their loss. This book serves to "legitimize" the grief following the loss of a beloved pet as well as a guide to try to make the pain of that loss more bearable.

Why do elephants bury their dead? What makes birds sing and cranes dance? Do animals appreciate art? Do they know the difference between right and wrong? Do they experience awe and wonder? In this revised second edition of his celebrated book, Reverend Gary Kowalski combines heartwarming stories with solid science to show that other creatures are not insensitive objects devoid of feeling and intellect but thinking, sentient beings with an inward, spiritual life.

Do all dogs and cats really go to heaven? Yes, they do! The death of your beloved pet can be one of the most heartbreaking losses you'll ever endure. But recovery isn't only about closure. You also want to know where your best friend has gone. After the intense, unexpected grief he experienced following the loss of his own companions, animal lover and biblical scholar Gary Kurz set out to prove that there are indeed pets in Paradise. After devoting countless

hours of research, he now shares his inspiring insights to bring you a richer understanding of animals and their souls. You'll finally find answers to common questions about animals and the afterlife--and you'll also get a 30-day devotional to help you work through your grief. If you've ever loved and lost a pet, or if you know someone who has shared a special bond with a furry face and a cold, wet nose, you'll welcome this amazing book's reassurance that love and loyalty are truly eternal, and that someday, you and your pets will be together again. "For those of us who love our pets so passionately, Gary Kurz thoughtfully and thoroughly gives hope that death is not the end for our furry, scaled, and feathered friends." --Francine Hornberger, co-author of *So You Think You Know about Cats?* "Wonderful, inspiring, and comforting." —Mary Buddemeyer-Porter, author of *Will I See Fido in Heaven? Not the Last Goodbye*

*I Wasn't Ready to Say Goodbye Companion Workbook*

*It's Okay to Cry*

*A Guide to Mourning, Remembering and Healing Purrs of Wisdom*

*An Alphabet Book*

*Saying Goodbye to Your Angel Animals*

Written by a psychologist who is a leader in pet bereavement, this practical and sympathetic guide validates the survivor's feelings of loss when a pet dies.

In this invaluable guide and touchstone, New York Times bestselling author Jon Katz addresses the difficult but necessary topic of saying goodbye to a beloved pet. Drawing on personal experiences, stories from fellow pet owners, and philosophical reflections, Katz provides support for those in mourning. By allowing ourselves to grieve honestly and openly, he posits, we can in time celebrate the dogs, cats, and other creatures that have so enriched us. Katz compels us to consider if we gave our pets good lives, if we were their advocates in times of need, and if we used our best judgments in the end. In dealing with these issues, we can alleviate guilt, let go, and help others who are undergoing similar passages. By honoring the animals that have graced our lives, we reveal their truly timeless gifts: unwavering companionship and undying love. With a brand-new Foreword by the author

Communications from beloved pets are seen by thousands every day. Some messages are given in ways that do require an acute awareness, and more interpretation as well. From the Heavens above, Signs are given by

deceased pets to connect with their families they left behind. Oftentimes, the gifts they share are unseen or are difficult to identify. Learning to speak the Language of Spirit requires practice, but once identified, the joy of hearing from your Pet in Spirit can bring great comfort. This book is an ABC's narrative for identifying signs, messages, and signals from the Afterworld. It shares a simple way to look for, and read, communications from Pets in the Hereafter. For anyone looking to continue their relationship with a beloved Pet in the Afterlife, this book can help you identify their Gifts from Heaven. Love lives forever... and so do our Souls...

The death of a beloved pet is often one of the most heartbreaking losses a pet lover can endure. But recovery isn't only about closure, pet lovers have the same question as when they lose a human loved one: after death, where has their pet gone? Animal lover and biblical scholar Gary Kurz sets out to prove that there are indeed pets in heaven. Now he shares his inspiring insights to bring readers a richer understanding of animals and their souls, and to answer common questions about pets and the afterlife.

A Spiritual Guide

The Amazing Afterlife of Animals

Blessing of the Animals

Warm, Compassionate Stories that Help You Find Hope and Healing After the Death of a Pet

The Souls of Animals

Cold Noses at the Pearly Gates:

Grieving the Loss of a Pet

What happens to our pets after they die? Is there another realm where they coexist with our departed human loved ones? Are they happy and free from pain? Award-Winning Animal Communicator and Psychic Medium, Karen Anderson, reveals tantalizing evidence that our pets communicate with us throughout their lives as well as after their physical death. Will this evidence prove that our pets continue to send us messages and signs from the Other Side? You be the judge. Discover how pets feel about death, euthanasia, cremation, reincarnation and so much more. Was it their time to die? Do the pets we had to euthanize forgive us? Included are actual sessions with departed animals sharing their loving thoughts and insightful messages. If you are grieving the loss of your beloved pet, you will also learn how to work through your grief and move into healing. The purity of the animals' messages may surprise you and they may even present new perspectives about life after death. Discover how deeply your pets love you and how the bonds of love never die as you journey into the amazing afterlife of animals. What messages await you?

In this remarkable and much needed book, agony aunt Virginia Ironside recounts some

of the experiences of those of us – from ordinary people today to Freud and Sir Walter Scott – who have loved, and lost, a pet, and lifts the taboo that can cause enormous distress to grieving pet owners. It's not odd, crazy or maladjusted to cry and feel utterly lost when a pet dies. Often that pet has been a close friend – uncritical, loyal and devoted. It never answered back, has played in a way that friends wouldn't, and has never left home like children do. There is no need to keep grief hidden or wonder why we can't immediately 'replace' our dead pet with another. Feelings deserve understanding and respect. Goodbye, Dear Friend acknowledges both the extent and depth of grief of a pet. Based on an avalanche of letters about pet loss on her problem pages, Virginia Ironside takes us through the process of grieving to putting a pet to sleep, and from taking comfort in memorials to whether there is a 'pet heaven', concluding with useful contacts. Goodbye, Dear Friend is an essential book for every pet owner, young or old, and will bring great comfort and solace at a time when one feels most alone. Virginia Ironside has been a journalist all her life. She was a rock columnist for the Daily Mail in the 'sixties, a television reviewer and a columnist for teenage magazines. She has written several novels and children's books, the latest being No! I Don't Want to Join a Book Club – Diary of a Sixtieth Year. She has been a problem page editor at Woman and the Sunday Mirror for many years and now has a regular column in the Independent and the Oldie.

"Remember me with tears and laughter. Remember me though it hurts to do so, because the pain you have is equal to the love we shared. There is no goodbye if you carry me in your heart. Remember all the joy we shared, because there was so much of it for both of us." Herbie Longfellow Alderdice Are you a dog owner who is in the process of losing your best friend to illness? Or have you lost your beloved friend and you are struggling to get over them? Pet bereavement is tough. Not everyone sympathises with you. Jeannie Wycherley chose to write this book after the loss of her beloved boy, Herbie, because she was hurt by the repetition of the phrase, "he was just a dog." She realised that her grief transcended that tired notion - one tritely rolled out by people who think they're being helpful and supportive, failing to realise the guilt and shame many pet owners already experience when they are locked deep in mourning. 'Losing my Best Friend: thoughtful support for those affected by dog

bereavement or pet loss' offers practical advice about what to do when your dog passes away, including tips on helping your children or other pets cope with the loss, designing your own ceremony to celebrate your dog's life, and creating memorials. In these pages Jeannie Wycherley has created a loving tribute to Herbie, and delivers support with a light and loving touch that validates what you're going through. The Perfect Journal to Work Through Your Feelings When Grieving the Loss of Your Pet Grief, after pet loss, is more common than most people realize. Only those who have suffered the loss of a pet, truly understand how difficult it is to adapt to the changes brought on when a pet dies. After all, pets are more than just animals; they are part of our families. If you or someone you know has lost a beloved furry friend with paws such as a cat, dog, hamster, rabbit, etc, this journal is perfect. This journal is designed with mostly open-ended questions that reflect on your pet's life and unique characteristics and personality, so that you never forget what made him/her special. As such, it is best suited for teens or adults who can write out their thoughts. Other things that make this journal unique include: Full of sweet quotes about our furry, 4-legged friends Plenty of space to write your answers to the thoughtful questions. Blank pages to add photos and/or sketches of your pet. Or, if you prefer, you can use some of these pages as more space for your writing/journaling. Celebrate your pet's life, and grieve the loss of your special friend by journaling your thoughts. This will remain a treasured keepsake that you will have for years to come. This journal also makes the perfect gift for a friend or family member who is grieving the loss of their animal friend.

Coping With The Loss Of A Dog: How To Deal With The Death Of Your Friend Signs From Pets In the Afterlife Thoughtful Support for Those Affected by Dog Bereavement Or Pet Loss Good-bye My Friend

A Novel

My Dog Has Died

Lessons in Life, Love and Friendship An unforgettable story about learning to love again and living life to its fullest, perfect for fans of Jojo Moyes and Josie Silver. "A poignant and uplifting read about loss, love and learning to put yourself back together again after facing the unimaginable." –Sophie Cousens, New York Times bestselling author of This Time

Next Year Lost love. A second chance. A hidden secret. Spencer was the love of Anna's life: her husband, her best friend, her rock. She thought their love would last forever. But three years ago, Spencer was tragically killed in an accident and Anna's world was shattered. How can she ever move on, when she's lost her soulmate? On New Year's Eve Anna calls Spencer's phone number, just to hear his old voicemail greeting. But to her shock, someone answers... Brody has inherited Spencer's old number and is the first person who truly understands what Anna's going through. As her and Brody's phone calls become lengthier and more frequent, they begin opening up to each other—and slowly rediscover how to smile, how to laugh, even how to hope. But Brody hasn't been entirely honest with Anna. Will his secret threaten everything, just as it seems she might find the courage to love again?

The nation's first full-time pet-bereavement counselor and the editor of "Pet Care Report" examine the emotions experienced by individuals and families who lose their pets Ingrid King explores our relationships with cats by combining her professional expertise with compassionate insights into how cats can inspire, soothe and even help heal us. In Purrs of Wisdom, King artfully delivers pearls of wisdom celebrating all our relationships, feline, human or otherwise. You'll want to savor each chapter and purr-haps revisit those that strike a personal chord.

Come into the Cathedral of the Earth to worship and to... find out how "swarm intelligence" is creating smarter phone systems inspired by the creativity and collective wisdom of the common ant; discover what happens when a visionary artist travels to Africa to bury the portraits of 23 primates who died in a Philadelphia zoo; ponder how cultures as diverse as the Cherokee, Chinese, Egyptians, and ancient Hindus identified the night's brightest star with a canine spirit guide; explore

how meditation practice helps a Buddhist beekeeper fend off a disease that threatens most of the world's honeybees. These true stories and many more will make you laugh, weep, and marvel at the amazing creatures who share our planet, from the earthworm to the elephant, all in Blessings of the Animals." Cold Noses at the Pearly Gates The Loss of a Pet: A Guide to Coping with the Grieving Process When a Pet Dies A New Way of Being Finding Comfort after Losing Your Pet Goodbye Tsugumi

Finding Comfort After the Loss of a Pet Finding Peace When Pets Die This is the story of an award-winning psychiatrist and neuroscientist who was diagnosed with a brain tumour by his own MRI machine at the age of thirty. It is the story of a doctor turned patient who, after overcoming cancer against the odds, started a twenty-year crusade to inform people about the disease and inspire them to take responsibility for their health. It is the story of a husband and father who is told that the cancer has returned, and that he only has a short time left. This is a story about dying. But most of all, it is a story about living. 'A staggering manual for living' Paris Match 'Each word rings true, each memory lingers, each detail of his life, now in limbo, brings us closer to the human condition. This book is a gift' Elle Loving bond between humans and our animal friends. Book jacket.

In this "witty, perceptive novel", a young woman moves to Tokyo and encounters the world of university enrollment and impending adulthood (Elle). Banana Yoshimoto's novels of young life in Japan have made her an international sensation. Goodbye Tsugumi is an offbeat story of a deep and complicated friendship between two female cousins that ranks among her best work. Maria is the only daughter of an unmarried woman. She has grown up at the seaside alongside her cousin Tsugumi, a lifelong invalid, charismatic,

spoiled, and occasionally cruel. Now Maria's father is finally able to bring Maria and her mother to Tokyo, ushering Maria into a world of university, impending adulthood, and a "normal" family. When Tsugumi invites Maria to spend a last summer by the sea, a restful idyll becomes a time of dramatic growth as Tsugumi finds love and Maria learns the true meaning of home and family. She also has to confront both Tsugumi's inner strength and the real possibility of losing her. Goodbye Tsugumi is a beguiling, resonant novel from one of the world's finest young writers. Buckley's Story is the story of how one small cat changed the author's life in ways she never could have imagined. In this warm-hearted memoir, Ingrid King shares the story of Buckley, a joyful, enthusiastic and affectionate tortoiseshell cat she meets while managing a veterinary hospital. When Ingrid leaves her job at the veterinary hospital to start her own business, Buckley comes home to live with her and Amber, another tortoiseshell cat who had adopted the author several years earlier. Buckley is diagnosed with heart disease after only two years of living with Ingrid, and caring for Buckley through her illness only deepens the bond between cat and human. Interspersed with well-researched information about cat health in general, and heart disease in particular, the author describes the challenges and rewards of managing illness in a feline companion, and ultimately helping her through the final transition. Ingrid shares both the day-to-day joys of living with a special cat as well as the profound grief that comes with losing a beloved animal companion. Buckley's Story is a celebration of the soul connection between animals and humans, a connection that is eternal and transcends the physical dimension. PRAISE FOR Buckley's Story Buckley's Story is a true celebration of the bond between pets and their humans. This story of a gimp little tortoiseshell cat with a

huge heart who changed her humans life in unexpected ways shows us how pets teach us universal lessons about living a joyful life, how caring for a terminally ill pet can deepen this special bond, and how to navigate the devastating grief that comes with losing a beloved animal companion. Dr. Marty Becker, Americas Veterinarian and author of The Healing Power of Pets: Harnessing the Amazing Ability of Pets To Make and Keep People Happy and Healthy \*\*\* Ingrid King loves animals, and in Buckleys Story she leads us through how these precious creatures in particular, one gimpy tortie named Buckley can teach us how to open our hearts to the world. - Clea Simon, author of The Feline Mystique: On the Mysterious Connection Between Women and Cats \*\*\* For those of us who thinkor, rather, knowthat cats have a thing or two to teach us in this life, youll appreciate Ingrid Kings story about her cat Buckley. - Megan McMorris, Editor Cat Women Female Writers on their Feline Friends \*\*\* Losing My Best Friend Words to Help in Times of Sorrow: Affirmations and Meditations There Are No Sad Dogs in Heaven The Healing Power of Mindfulness You Were My Favorite Hello and My Hardest Goodbye Goodbye, Friend Saying Good-Bye to the Pet You Love The loss of an animal companion can be a painful, wrenching experience. In Goodbye, Friend, Gary Kowalski takes you on a journey of healing, offering warmth and sound advice on how to cope with the death of your pet. Filled with heartwarming stories and practical guidance on such matters as taking care of yourself while mourning, creating rituals to honor your pet's memory, and talking to children about death, Goodbye, Friend is a beautiful and comforting book for anyone grieving the loss

of a beloved animal. Our pets are part of the family. For many they're as close as children; for some they may be our only children. And while most of us can expect that our children will outlive us, sadly, our pets almost never do. Losing a pet can be as difficult as losing any other family member; we grieve, we miss them, and, mostly, we want closure, to know that our furry, feathered, or scaled friends are okay, wherever they are. For years, animal communicator Sonya Fitzpatrick has helped pet owners cope with the loss of their beloved companions. Many of them ask the same questions: Is my pet happy? Why did this happen? Is it okay to get another pet? Using her personal experiences as well as the stories of the families she's worked with, Sonya sheds some light on the questions that every grieving pet owner has, and assures the reader that there are, in fact, no sad dogs (or cats or birds or turtles or horses or cows) in heaven. When a beloved dog passes, it leaves behind a hole in its family's life that's impossible to fill. I've written this book by drawing on my own experiences of the heart wrenching emotions that follow the death of a dog. I've lost four dogs, and grieved for each one. I still grieve for each one, but in a different way now - in a happier way, a way that brings back fond memories that make me smile and not cry. I hope this book will help you get closer to that place too, a place where you can look back on the time you spent with your dog and laugh, not cry. I've covered a few topics in this book, including; What is grief? Dealing with guilt Understanding other people's reactions to the death of

your dog Laying your dog to rest Coming to terms with the loss of your dog How to speak to children about the loss Memorialising your dog You just arrived home and in an instant, you realize that something is very different. Your house is quiet and there is a cold feeling of emptiness. These feelings are taking on a life of their own, and suddenly reality hits you! Your dog is not bounding through the house to greet you. Your dog is no longer enveloping you with unconditional love, kisses, and endless joy. Devastated you ask yourself, ?What am I going to do? The answer to this question and the good news is that Wendy is sharing her new book with you as she supports you through your pet bereavement journey. Offering you tools and compassionate guidance to help you heal from the trauma of pet loss. Sharing helpful ways to deal with all the changes that you are going to experience immediately after the death of your dog. Plus, special ways to prepare for the future. If your dog has died and you are experiencing grief, having difficulty making important decisions, and you want to do something special to not forget the life you shared with your dog then this book is for you. A Book of Hope for Those Who Have Lost a Pet Goodbye, Dear Friend Earth Day Messages and Signs From Our Pets On The Other Side Pet Loss The Final Farewell When Your Pet Dies Everyone who's ever loved an animal companion will find wisdom and solace in this book. The authors share stories drawn from decades of experience leading pet loss groups and practicing family therapy. Their recommendations for taking care of yourself and loved ones during the rough spots of grief will answer all of your important questions and help you feel well-supported. I highly

recommend *The Pet Loss Companion* for companion animal lovers like me. – Ed Sayres, President & CEO of the ASPCA® *The Pet Loss Companion* is a wonderfully reassuring book for anyone who cares about pets. It is a loving book, full of personal and practical details about how to care for oneself after loss. The authors are sensitive pet-lovers, empathic and engaging in this moving and meaningful book. – Monica McGoldrick, MSW, Ph.D. (h.c.), Director, Multicultural Family Institute, and author of *You Can Go Home Again* If you have ever lost a beloved pet and have wondered if your feelings are normal, this book is a must read for you. Ken and Nancy, in this single book, have captured the emotional roller coaster that most people experience during the end stages of the life of their pet. In addition there are helpful insights into their world as bereavement counselors and how they have helped their patients deal with the experiences of death. I have practiced Veterinary Medicine for over 30 years and have finally found a book that can be given to my grieving owners after such a trauma. – Anthony Miele, DVM, CEO, Veterinary Asset Management, Inc. What a gift Ken and Nancy's book is to those of us who have cherished and lost a pet companion. They get it, and as such, gently and skillfully help to ease the treacherous journey that loss is. This gem explores the terrain of loss and grief and the vast love that surrounds the experience. Readers will be warmed, saddened, and delighted by the examples and tools that are provided to ease the necessary grief process. The experience of reading this little book leaves me feeling much gratitude for my pet companions and these authors who so beautifully convey the huge role they play in our lives. – Lynn Parker, Ph.D., LCSW, Professor, Graduate School of Social Work, University of Denver St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center is proud to offer free pet loss support as part of its programmatic efforts, with Nancy Saxton-Lopez at the helm for over 20 years. Together Ken and Nancy continue to provide this valuable service at our center twice monthly and they've expanded their reach by sharing their professional training and direct pet loss counseling expertise with the completion of *The Pet Loss Companion*. Their compassion for

both pets and the people who love them is palpable in this concise, easy-to-read guide which offers understanding, solace, and hope to anyone struggling with the loss of a cherished animal companion, no matter the circumstances. The loss of a companion animal is a unique, yet not unique, grieving process not always well understood by others. This book connects and thereby supports people at a time of what can be isolating grief, providing a life raft or light to navigate the process. It's also a helpful tool—whether as a gift or for personal awareness—for those looking for some guidance in supporting family and friends coping with pet loss. – Heather Cammisa, President & CEO, St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center, Madison, New Jersey *It's Okay To Cry* contains 24 warm, compassionate stories that help people find hope and healing after the death of a beloved pet. The book includes the story of Lassie by Robert Weatherwax, Sr. and the stories of PD, Sparkle and Bear by Jack Hanna. The book also contains a 42-page journal for people to write their own story and share their memories of their beloved pets. The book is a self-contained support group for people who are grieving over the death of a beloved pet. Because our relationships with our animal companions are unlike human relationships, the death of a pet is like no other loss that we will experience. Draws on the wisdom of Ecclesiastes, the author's own experience, and interviews with dozens of pet lovers to guide the reader through the initial loss of a pet to the dawning of new hope and reassurance. Find spiritual companionship in these brief but powerful thoughts on the sacred journey of grief—from a Ground Zero first responder featured in Spike Lee's upcoming HBO documentary *NYC Epicenters 9/11-> 2021½*. Chaplain and spiritual counselor Andrea Raynor knows that when the funeral service is over, the friends leave, and the house grows quiet, grief can be overwhelming. As a chaplain at Ground Zero after the 9/11 terrorist attacks, she understands the heartbreak and devastation of losing a loved one—and wants to offer encouragement, comfort, and a reminder that you are not alone in your sorrow. In *The Alphabet of Grief*, Raynor uses the letters of the alphabet as starting points for simple reflections on loss and

hope. Each chapter concludes with a meditation and an affirmation—something to do and something to believe. Whether you are currently grieving or are supporting a loved one struggling with bereavement, *The Alphabet of Grief* is the perfect resource to remind you that there is beauty in the midst of suffering, and that love, no matter how painful, is always worth it. "I chose each word in this book based on the countless hours I have spent with grieving people. Not only have they shared with me the pain of loss but they have taught me about the daunting and sometimes mysterious journey of living." –Andrea Raynor in *The Alphabet of Grief*  
A Memoir  
Surviving, Coping and Healing After the Sudden Death of a Loved One  
The Enlightened Faith of America's Founding Fathers  
The Last Goodbye  
Celebrating Our Kinship with All Creation  
A Complete Resource to Help You Heal  
The Alphabet of Grief  
Alphabetical celebration of life on Earth, from apricots to junebugs to zebras.  
Bringing to life the complex creeds and personalities of America's Founding Fathers, this book confronts many of the myths about the religious views of some of the most notable figures in history. Offering clear and candid portraits of Benjamin Franklin, George Washington, Thomas Paine, John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and James Madison as both religious reformers and political rebels, this analysis tells the illuminating story of these unorthodox men of faith and thought and reclaims their spiritual inheritance for all Americans. Providing a careful examination of how the Founders' nature-based spirituality was tied to their fascination with science, this record includes discussions on Washington's aversion to using the word "God" in public pronouncements, Jefferson's mathematical calculations to show that the biblical great flood would have been impossible, and Paine's thoughts on the possibilities of alien life. The loss of an animal companion can be a painful, wrenching experience. In *Goodbye, Friend*, Gary Kowalski takes you on a journey of healing, offering warmth and sound advice on how to

cope with the death of your pet. Filled with heartwarming stories and practical guidance on such matters as taking care of yourself while mourning, creating rituals to honor your pet's memory, and talking to children about death, *Goodbye, Friend* is a beautiful and comforting book for anyone grieving the loss of a beloved animal.

More than twenty years ago, Jon Kabat-Zinn changed the way we thought about awareness in everyday life with his now-classic introduction to mindfulness, *Wherever You Go, There You Are*. He followed that up with 2005's *Coming to Our Senses*, the definitive book for our time on the connection between mindfulness and our well-being on every level, physical, cognitive, emotional, social, planetary, and spiritual. Now, *Coming to Our Senses* is being repackaged into 4 smaller books, each focusing on a different aspect of mindfulness, and each with a new foreword written by the author. In the third of these books, *The Healing Power of Mindfulness* (which was originally published as Part V and Part VI of *Coming to Our Senses*), Kabat-Zinn focuses on the ways mindfulness can change the body and rewire the mind--explaining what we're learning about neuroplasticity and the brain, how meditation can affect the immune system, and what mindfulness can teach us about facing impermanence and, eventually, the end of our own lives. By "coming to our senses"--both literally and metaphorically--we can become more compassionate, more embodied, more aware human beings, and in the process, contribute to the healing of the body politic as well as our own lives in ways both little and big.

Healing Advice from Family Therapists Who Lead Pet Loss Groups

The Wisdom of Old Dogs

The Long Goodbye

Going Home

Enlightenment, Feline Style

The Pet Loss Companion

How to Cope with Your Feelings

Affirming a pet owner's struggle with grief when his or her pet dies, this book helps mourners understand why their feelings are so strong and helps them overcome the loss. Included are practical suggestions for mourning and ideas for remembering and memorializing one's pet. Among the issues covered are understanding the many emotions experienced after the

death of a pet; understanding why grief for pets is unique; pet funerals and burial or cremation; celebrating and remembering the life of one's pet; coping with feelings about euthanasia; helping children understand the death of their pet; and things to keep in mind before getting another pet.

"Anguished, beautifully written... *The Long Goodbye* is an elegiac depiction of drama as old as life." -- The New York Times Book Review From one of America's foremost young literary voices, a transcendent portrait of the unbearable anguish of grief and the enduring power of familial love. What does it mean to mourn today, in a culture that has largely set aside rituals that acknowledge grief? After her mother died of cancer at the age of fifty-five, Meghan O'Rourke found that nothing had prepared her for the intensity of her sorrow. In the first anguished days, she began to create a record of her interior life as a mourner, trying to capture the paradox of grief--its monumental agony and microscopic intimacies--an endeavor that ultimately bloomed into a profound look at how caring for her mother during her illness changed and strengthened their bond. O'Rourke's story is one of a life gone off the rails, of how watching her mother's illness--and separating from her husband--left her fundamentally altered. But it is also one of resilience, as she observes her family persevere even in the face of immeasurable loss. With lyricism and unswerving candor, *The Long Goodbye* conveys the fleeting moments of joy that make up a life, and the way memory can lead us out of the jagged darkness of loss. Effortlessly blending research and reflection, the personal and the universal, it is not only an exceptional memoir, but a necessary one.

Healing Wisdom for Anyone Who Has Ever Lost a Pet

Coming to Terms with the Death of a Pet

Pet Loss Books for Adults Or Teens

- Journal with Thoughtful

Questions to Answer for Coping

with Death of Cat Or Dog Passing

Away - Memory Keepsake Gift for

Someone Who Has Lost a Pet

Grieving the Death of a Pet

Reflections on life, death,

healing and cancer