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In this beautiful and poignant tribute to her late daughter, award-winning actress and *New York Times* bestselling author Carol Burnett presents a funny and moving memoir about mothering an extraordinary young woman through the struggles and triumphs of her life.

“More than anything, we are remembered for our smiles: the ones we share with our closest and dearest, and the one we bestow on a total stranger who needs it right then, and God has put us there to deliver.” — Carrie Hamilton

You are about to meet an extraordinary young woman, Carrie Hamilton. The daughter of one of television’s most recognizable and beloved stars, Carol Burnett, Carrie won the hearts of everyone she met with her kindness, quirky sense of humor, and wonderfully unconventional approach to life. Living in the spotlight of celebrity, but in an era when personal troubles were kept private, Carrie and Carol made a brave display of honesty and love by going public with teenager Carrie’s drug addiction and recovery. Carrie lived her adult life of sobriety to the fullest, enjoying happy and determined independence and achieving a successful artistic career as an actress, writer, musician, and director. Carrie’s passion for life and her humorist’s view of the world never wavered as she aggressively battled cancer. Carrie died at the age of 38.

Carrie and Me is Carol Burnett’s poignant tribute to her late daughter and a funny and moving memoir about mothering an extraordinary young woman through the struggles and triumphs of her life. Sharing her personal diary entries, photographs, and correspondence, Carol traces the journey she and Carrie took through some of life’s toughest challenges and sweetest miracles. Authentic, intimate, and full of love, *Carrie and Me* is a story of hope and joy that only a mother could write.

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Judy says

Carol Burnette pays tribute to her deceased daughter, Carrie, in this memoir. She relates the story of the difficult teen years up through her daughter's death from lung cancer. The book concludes with an unpublished manuscript of a cowboy romance that Carrie was working on at the time of her death.

Mom says

This is a very quick read. Be prepared though and have a box of kleenex handy, it is very sad. There is no way to prepare yourself to read about the loss of a child.

Karen says

I knew that Carol Burnett's daughter Carrie had had addiction issues, but I did not realize that she had overcome them--only to face a fight for her life with cancer. This poignant account of mother and daughter relations through both of these struggles was very hard to read at times--one cannot help but to be emotionally drawn into it. Carrie was multi-talented and the book gives several example of her artistic versatility, including the last story she working on and which she sent drafts of to her mother. The love and grace which both mother and daughter exhibit throughout these struggles is amazing.

Kim says

I really liked the first part of the book, which was the story of Carrie Hamilton, but I was much less impressed with the second part, which was a story Carrie was working on before she died. Carol Burnett published the work to honour her daughter, but unfortunately, it reads like the early draft it was. It's clear that most of Carrie Hamilton's experience was on the screen, because in several places, particularly the end, the story read more like a screenplay than a novel, which made the flow of the text seem forced.

On a slightly unrelated note, it was lovely to listen to the audio version of this book, simply because Carol Burnett included a song Carrie had written and recorded before her death, which was an unexpected gift.

Neil Mudde says

I have always adored, and have great respect for Carol Burnett, she has given me many hours of laughs, who can forget the curtains worn as dress in one of her gone with the wind scenes, and there are so many others. A few weeks ago I watched "the view" which had Carol as a guest, and discovered she had written this book, knew very little about her personal life, so thought it would be interesting to read this book. Being a super entertainer does not an author make, it is one of those situations where one's popularity opens

doors for writing, and being published.

The story is a somewhat touching story of a Mother and Daughter, one might think being in the entertainment business one might be a bit better informed about the abuse of drugs, however that was not the case, I am sure Carrie was a great person, drawing a lot of attention away by her behaviour from her two other sisters, I have never seen Carrie perform, will look for some of the segments she was in, She has written a story which is interesting but nothing earth-shattering, it is only due to Carol being who she, is allowed her to have this book published, which in a way is sad, since there are thousands of writers out there who ought to have their work published. Carrie was very fortunate to have been born into this affluent family.

The interaction of Mother and Daughter via e-mails is interesting as I got the feeling that Mother needed to compliment, praise her daughter on everything she did and wrote, sort of a mutual admiration society, not wanting to risk sending her daughter into another tailspin, and perhaps another session in rehab.

Rest in peace Carrie!

Lori says

I have always been a fan of Carol Burnett. so far i have read all her books. this one is a "love story" to her daughter Carrie Hamilton. Carrie died from lung cancer at only 38 years old. in 2002. this book is divided in two parts the first which takes about 75 percent of the book.is from Carol sharing emails between her and Carrie. and snippets from Carrie's life. part of this includes the few years during Carrie's teens when she was on drugs and trips to drug rehab. I was impressed by Carrie she was a loving free spirit who could light up a room. some of the book is made up of the emails exchanged between Carrie and her mother. at this time Carrie was working on a book she named "Sunrise in Memphis" Carol and Carrie were also working on a play together named " Hollywood Arms" this play was about Carol and her grandmother who raised her from a young child in California.[it was later a play in New York with Linda Lavin as the grandmother} this is a very quick read. Carol Burnett wrote a touching book devoted to her daughter's life.

the second part of this book is the unfinished book that Carrie was working on she called "sunrise in Memphis" this story is about a young woman Named Kate, who wants to go to Memphis and see Graceland. after a night getting drunk she ends up some how with a young man who is she calls the cowboy. they strike up a friendship and make a road trip to Graceland. along the way they meet people from different towns, all having stories to tell Kate. the end of this short story ends up at the Memphis gates. since this is an unfinished novel. there is not an actual ending. Carrie actually asked her mother to finish the novel for her but Carol felt she could not since this is Carrie's story. from the 44 pages I read it looked like it had a good storyline. I wish Carrie had the chance to finish her novel.I would have liked to see some more of the stories she would have wrote for Kate to hear along the road trip. I can she Carrie was talented in her own right. A nice read from a mother who wanted to write a love story about her daughter.

Doreen says

Carol Burnett writes a loving, tender memoir of her beautiful daughter, Carrie Hamilton, who died at the age of thirty-eight. Reading from a mother's perspective, I cried. Reading from a daughter's perspective, I cried. Somehow, through memories and email correspondence, Carol pieces together her daughter's time on Earth, willing Carrie back to life on every page.

From Carol's pregnancy with Carrie, through to the dispensing of Carrie's ashes, Carol Burnett lays bare the special relationship between mother and daughter. Carol celebrates her daughter's life and all her wonderful accomplishments. Her writing creates a familiarity with Carrie that touches my heart and makes me feel that I know this quirky, talented, fun-loving woman with the sparkling smile. I'm so glad that I read this book. Reading about Carrie and her unique perspective makes me feel happy, much in the way Carrie spread her happiness and goodness to those people she loved and to those who loved her.

Princess says

I wanted to like this book. I enjoy Carol Burnett but I had a difficult time getting into the story. By the end of the first part, I was liking it more. The second part of the book is the story Carrie was working on when she died. The story itself had potential but needed so much work--it's disappointing Carrie didn't have the opportunity to make it shine. The world lost an amazing woman.

Jackie Lane says

What a wonderful testament to both Carol & Carrie Burnett. The beautiful way in which Carol Burnett writes about her daughter and her daughter's problems with addiction.

At such an early age Carrie began to rebel and took it a step further and turned to drugs to help her ease herself into life. As we see a more solid Carrie later in the book, I can't help but wonder why she was not a stronger person when she was younger.

It seems as if Carrie left an impression on those she met with her smile and her quirky personality. The closeness shared with her parents at the beginning of the book it somehow lost during her years with addiction and comes full circle. I loved learning of the projects that Carol and Carrie did together and how Carol was tough when necessary, but also there for her daughter.

It is such a shame to have lost a child at 38. The second part of the book is what Carrie had already written in her book Sunrise in Memphis. I actually enjoyed the story, although at times I felt there were places that had not yet been smoothed out.

This was a solid 4 star book for me.

Margaret says

This must have been a very difficult book to write, but it is a beautiful tribute to Ms. Burnett's oldest daughter who battled addiction and then cancer and yet accomplished so many things that most people only dream of. And yet...I can only say that this was an ok read for me. I don't know what I was expecting, but I just didn't get a sense of the entire relationship between Burnett and Carrie. The emails between mother and daughter weren't enough for me to get a sense of their true relationship, the "love story" between them. It was touching that the emails were kept over the years and made for an interesting way to write a book, but I think I was just missing the narrative that Burnett is so good at and it felt to me as though she, too, was a reader of the story she was trying to tell. Good for her for attempting to share her daughter's story. I am sure it was painful.

Keith Cornell says

Carol Burnett seems to be part of the fabric of my life. I have enjoyed her since I was a young boy. She has touched so many people in so many ways. I have read all of her books. This one is a loving tribute to her daughter Carrie who was taken too young. Carol lovingly exposes her story of Carrie's troubles with drugs at an early age again but with a new chapters. We get to read about Carrie's career after her drug recovery and how she and Carol worked together on stage and TV. Carol then shares through documented emails and her phone conversations about Carrie's cancer diagnosis. Carol has also lovingly printed Carrie's unfinished book in the last portion of this book. It's again a wonderful expression of tribute Carol can share about her oldest child taken away too soon. Bless you Carol and Carrie. Quick read and very enjoyable. Carrie and Me: A Mother-Daughter Love Story

Felicia says

This book is a tribute to Carole Burnett's daughter Carrie. A lot of reviewers focus on her early drug addiction, but that was only a small part of the story. The talent and overall personality of this young woman came through in the shared emails between mother and daughter. It was a good read, not great but also gave the reader a lot to ponder.....

Michelle says

I listened to this one and it is read by Carol Burnett in all her cracked voice glory. Sweet, sad and wonderful, her love for her daughter and her daughter's love for her really shines through. Highly Recommended.

Carrie says

If you are expecting Carol Burnett's slapstick humor you won't find it here. What you will find is a wonderful story of a mothers love for her daughter and the story of a vivacious, fun loving, insightful young lady that dies way too early. It is the rare book that makes you feel like you are a better person when you finish than when you started.

Sam says

Carol Burnett writes a memoir about her relationship with her daughter Carrie who passed away. The book is divided into two parts: the first part is primarily Carrie's diaries and Carol's correspondence with her daughter; the second part is Carrie's unfinished story "Sunrise in Memphis". Some stories include Carrie's first day of school, Carrie's teenage and adult struggles with drug addiction, Carrie's acting and music careers, Carrie's last road trip before her illness, Carrie's battle with lung cancer, the production of "Hollywood Arms" (based on Carol's 1986 memoir), and Carol's multiple spiritual encounters after her daughter's passing. The audiobook is read by the author too. Readers sensitive to descriptions of cancer

progression, profanity, or of parents grieving over the loss of their child might want to skip this book. Some readers might be frustrated at the slow progression of the narrative, while other readers might appreciate the slow pacing as it emphasizes the author's thoughtful self-reflections on what she knows about her daughter.
