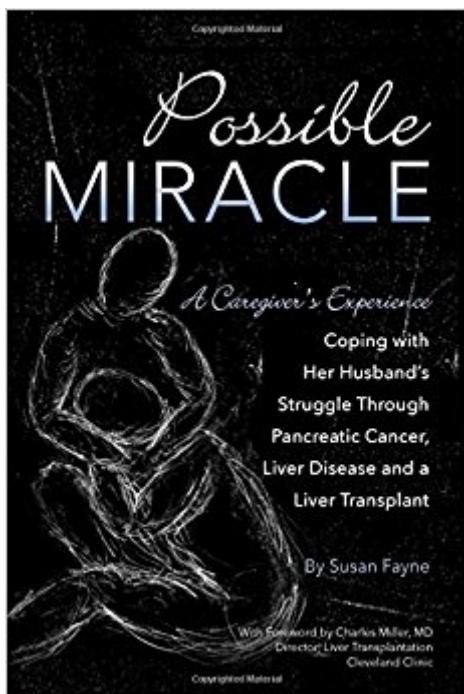


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# Possible Miracle: A Caregiver's Experience Coping With Her Husband's Struggle Through Pancreatic Cancer, Liver Disease And A Liver Transplant



## **Synopsis**

A caregiver's inspiring true story of contending with her husband's fight for survival against three life threatening health issues. Follow her path of living in denial, of eventually coping and of finally becoming a proactive advocate which ultimately saved the man she loved. Together they persisted on a journey from sickness to health; from despair to happiness.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Susan Fayne has been married to her husband Michael for 30 years and together they have created a beautiful family. By being a proactive caregiver, Susan saved her husband's life. In sharing her story her desire is to give others hope that they too can persevere through the struggles that they may encounter."

This book is about the trials and tribulations of one couple's quest to obtain a liver transplant. The beautifully written prose and heartfelt feelings of first time author Susan Fayne are amazing. It has the suspense of a novel, the intrigue of a mystery, and the power of a great love story. From Michael's initial diagnosis of pancreatic cancer thru the race to get any transplant team to even look at him and then the race to find an appropriate liver is spellbinding. But beneath all of this is the great love between Michael and Susan. Their wonderful relationship and caring for each other is what moves this book from a "how to" memoir to a modern romance of mutual trust and understanding. Susan's thoughts, prayers, and fears are what makes this such an amazing read.

Having read the previous reviews of Possible Miracle, and finding them all written with honesty, there wasn't much for me to add. Yes, it is a beautiful love story showing the incredible strength of Susan and their children and I found myself completely absorbed in their story. I decided to write the review because as I was reading it I realized many similarities between their family and mine. I too had a blended family with a husband who struggled from a young age with heart disease and all that it took to stay alive. I recognized her denial, her guilt and for me, feelings that my life had been hijacked by his disease. Reading about this was sometimes difficult, because I identified with a lot of it, but as I continued I couldn't put it down. I think this inspirational book will be enjoyed by a wide audience. It is a love story with a very happy ending.

This book is a fabulous story of a powerful love between two people and their struggle to overcome some very challenging medical issues. While the story is inspirational, that is not what caused me to write this review. I read a great deal and do not usually take the time to write a review. However, this time I felt compelled to do so. There is something about Susan Fayne's writing style which was almost disorienting. It was as if she were sitting next to me telling me her story, rather than me reading it. On several occasions, when I emerged from the book, I had to tell myself that I was reading her story - not being told it. I felt so close to her throughout this journey. The other remarkable thing about this story is that you can almost feel Susan being dragged in to fight for Michael's life. I didn't get the sense that Susan was just hanging around waiting to be a "savior", but rather had no choice. This fact makes it all the more inspiring because it made me feel that each of us is capable of stretching ourselves to do more than we might otherwise think we are capable of doing. Thank you, Susan, for making me believe that!

I had the privilege of meeting Susan and Michael Fayne while my husband was recovering from his liver transplant surgery. After talking with Susan and finding out she wrote this book about their experience I immediately download it to read. I am so glad I did. I can tell you going through this experience for the first time I did not have a clue what to expect. To say it was terrifying for me was an understatement. After reading her book as a caregiver I related some of the same things Susan experienced. It gave me relief and hope that this will pass and everything will be ok. I think anyone that is getting ready to go through a transplant or is on the fence about becoming a donor should read this book. It will give you the insight of what to expect through the process and for the donor family you will see that the selfless decision that was made to giving someone the gift of life and the

difference it makes in the recipient lives.

When a member of our family, someone we love, is facing a serious medical crisis we feel overwhelmed. We begin the process of searching for support; medical, family and spiritual. This book is a journal, not an easy story, but a guide for those who have seen their lives change while sitting in a doctor's office. With a mix of humor and tears we participate in a journey that takes a family from cancer to transplant, from pain to relief, from sorrow to "miracles". A meaningful read if you are in the midst of such a challenging experience. A worthwhile read for all of us who inevitably will be placed into the position of receiving or giving loving care.

This is an amazing book that every caregiver and anyone battling cancer, needing a transplant or having any other medical problems can learn an awful lot from. It is a true story of everything one couple went through on their path to a healthy life again. I read it once but will definitely re-read it, and I definitely recommend it. It is so inspiring, and Susan Fayne has done a tremendous job telling their remarkable story.

This book is one not to miss. It's a true story of a husband and wife's journey through cancer, a liver transplant, and many everyday medical issues. Susan Fayne, the wife, and first time author, tells an amazing story of being her husband's caregiver and many times never knowing the end results. You laugh, you cry, and their struggles are yours while reading this incredible journey.

It seems funny to say you enjoyed a book about suffering through cancer and an organ transplant, but I did. I found this book to be very human, moving and educational at the same time. It takes you out of your everyday life and helps you to understand what some other people in the world are going through and to be thankful for your health and every new day. If you have a loved one or friend struggling with cancer or some other severe medical issue reading this book can help you understand how to play a helpful role in the process and give you some hope for the future.

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