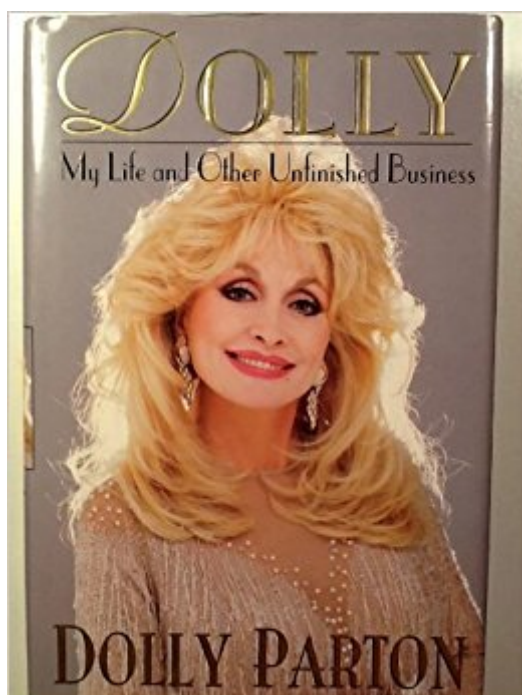


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# Dolly: My Life And Other Unfinished Business



## Synopsis

The successful country singer reveals her life since leaving home at the age of eighteen to pursue a singing career, while discussing her personal philosophies, her marriage, her friendships, and achievements. 1,000,000 first printing. \$600,000 ad/promo. Tour.

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Even people who don't know country music from Kaeperate know Dolly Parton, the big-in-front, big-on-top blonde with the perky, little-girl voice who seems sometimes a hick Mae West and sometimes sweeter than Little Mary Sunshine. Given her obvious assets, the tabloid crowd knows her, too, which only increases the appeal of her memoirs. Well, she's more Mary than Mae here, with plenty of vanilla-lite sex-talk and spoofing of her persona ("It costs a lot to make a person look this cheap," etc.) but nary a word about extramarital tumbles or surgical augmentation of her charms. She explains that while she does indeed sleep with longtime friend Judy Ogle, it's not, never was, what suspicious minds think. She praises husband Carl Dean every time she speaks his name, and she doesn't say anything catty about Porter Wagoner, on whose TV show she found fame in the early 1970s and with whom she famously fought. In short, Dolly's so squeaky clean and nice that a reader can't help wondering why HarperCollins wouldn't countenance advance reviews and sent out no early copies. The book contains no secrets to expose, no juice to spill. That doesn't mean it's flat--coming from Dolly, how could it be? It's an entertaining country music rags-to-riches story, full of just enough humor and heart to thoroughly charm the fans. Ray Olson

The inspiring, tell-it-like-it-is autobiography of one of America's best-loved stars, who tells the rags-to-riches story of her life as only she can -- with honesty, insight and an unfailing sense of humor. Here, for the first time, Parton talks openly about her life -- both public and private. She reveals how she got to where she is today, her no-nonsense attitude and the down-home philosophy that has helped her from the start. Whether discussing her sense of style, her inability to have children, the music she loves so much, her unique marriage or her friendships with other stars, Parton is amazingly candid, incredibly warm, wise and funny, proving over and over again why she is so loved. In this refreshing, candid and heartfelt autobiography, Parton reveals the woman behind the superstar, who still considers herself a simple girl from the country. It is a book that millions of readers have been waiting for.

This was my third copy (at least) of this book. I had bought it a couple of other times back in the 90's. Loaned it out to others so they could read it and they never returned them. The book sounds just like Dolly Parton telling stories and I literally laughed out loud in places, especially when she was telling about a skunk and the outhouse. Great book! Have read it more than once and love it!

It's a very good book and she's an amazing, very bright woman who grew up very poor, but rich with her family/music and dreams. An amazing child who knew what she wanted and believed she could get it. A lot of that came from her Mother, but the work ethic also from her Father. She writes well and tells it all as she would talk. Glad I bought and read.

I enjoyed this autobiography by Dolly. She is a special, giving person. I truly admire her for her giving after the Gatlinburg fires and for her support in eastern Tennessee.

I really enjoyed her relating her rise to the stardom she worked to perfect..A true believer in God's Will in her life...

This was a great book with so much feeling behind it. If you get the chance to listen to the audio version, even though it is slightly abridged, Dolly's reading is amazing and so emotional. I have never listened to an audio book that had the reader actually having to slow down the reading because she was crying. Just beautiful.

good book

Terrible read

I purchased this book for my Grandfather, Dolly has always been his favorite. I read it before giving it to him, and LOVED it. I have a whole new respect for the woman. I haven't laughed out loud so much from a book in a long time. She may be fake on the outside, but she is a true, good-hearted woman that made herself into something starting with nothing.

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