

Death & Dying

Here is a list of our favorite books to learn about death and dying! These titles can all be found primarily in the EASY and NON-FICTION sections of the library, unless otherwise noted!



[A Stone for Sascha](#) by Aaron Becker

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A young girl, still reeling from her dog's death, finds solace while picking up stones on the beach during her family's vacation.



[Grandma's Gloves](#) by Cecil Castellucci

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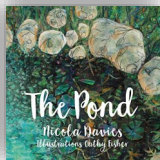
When her grandmother, a devoted gardener, dies, a little girl inherits her gardening gloves and feels closer to her memory.



[Grandpa's Stories](#) by Joseph Coelho

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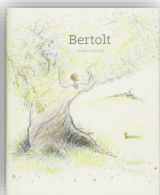
A young girl reflects on a year of exploring and laughing with her beloved Grandpa, remembering many special moments as she seeks a way to honor him after his death.



[The Pond](#) by Nicola Davies

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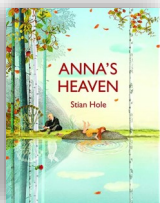
A young boy and his family are trying to overcome the loss of his father. The natural world becomes part of the healing process.



[Bertolt](#) by Jacques Goldstyn

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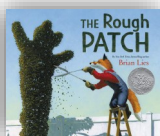
A boy who knows he is not like other people prefers to be by himself or with his best friend, an oak tree he calls Bertolt, and when the tree dies he must find a way to deal with the fact.



[Anna's Heaven](#) by Stian Hole

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After the death of her mother, Anna and her father imagine that Heaven might be a place where one can help in God's garden, visit with old friends, and take off one's socks whenever one pleases.



[The Rough Patch](#) by Brian Lies

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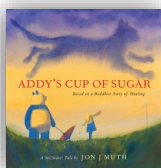
Farmer Evan and his dog do everything together, especially in the garden. But when his dog passes away, Evan lets his garden fill with weeds until a pumpkin vine brings new hope.



[My Father's Arms are a Boat](#) by Stein Erik Lunde

E LUND

Unable to sleep, a young boy climbs into his father's arms and asks about birds, foxes, and whether his mother will ever awaken, then, the father provides clear answers and assurances..



[Addy's Cup of Sugar: A Stillwater Tale](#) by John Muth

E MUTH

In this reworking of the Buddhist parable, Stillwater, a giant panda, teaches Addy that the grief she feels for the loss of her kitten is part of life and is shared by everybody.



[Mom's Sweater](#) by Jayde Perkin

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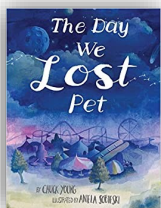
After the loss of her mother, a young girl and her dad find a new way to live with grief with the help of her mom's sweater.



[One Wave at a Time](#) by Holly Thompson

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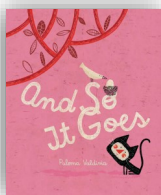
A boy dealing with the loss of his father describes the many waves of emotion that come with the grieving process. As the boy and his family learn to adjust to life without Dad, the waves still come, but they learn to cope and heal.



[The Day We Lost Pet](#) by Chuck Young

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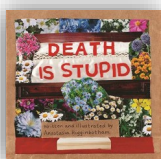
Through a heart-warming story about balloons who fill one another with air and love, comes a fable of how we deal with the loss of a loved one or a beloved pet.



[And So It Goes](#) by Paloma Valdivia

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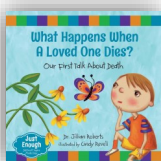
Explores the way that some people leave the world and others come into it, and how those who come into it eventually leave it.



[Death is Stupid](#) by Anastasia Higginbotham

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This forthright exploration of grief and mourning recognizes the anger, confusion, and fear that we feel about death.



[What Happens When a Loved One Dies](#) by Jillian Roberts

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It can be difficult to know how to talk to children about death. This book allows adults to guide the conversation to a natural and reassuring conclusion