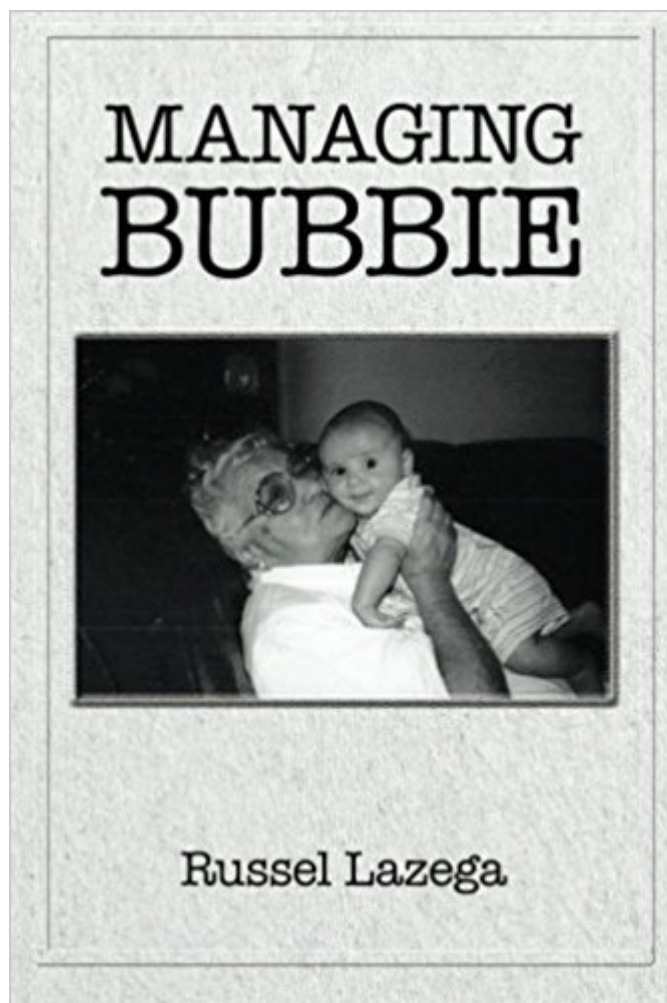


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# Managing Bubbie



## Synopsis

Her devoted family only wants the best for their Bubbie. Mostly they want to ensure that their matriarch's twilight years are spent in comfort, safety, and serenity. But how do you manage an aging, immutably stubborn Holocaust survivor who has risen above the squalor of Poland's ghettos; fled across the war-torn German wilderness; and survived the winter-ravaged Pyrenees alone on foot with three children? You probably don't. *Managing Bubbie* is the heartrending, hilarious family memoir by Russel Lazega that recounts the frequently hectic, ever-exhausting trials of one Jewish family in Miami Beach as they try to oversee the care of the elderly, unmanageable Lea Lazega. As they scramble for an acceptable assisted living facility and struggle to get her medication in line, they discover the difficulties of controlling a woman who time and again eluded catastrophe by refusing to be told what to do. A tapestry of an American family in the 1980s, *Managing Bubbie* also revisits the Holocaust period to mine the love, hope, and humor that emerged from the deepest despair. Anyone who savors a soft heart with a sharp funny bone will laugh, cry, and commiserate with the confounded family who must manage their beloved, impossible Bubbie.

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She escaped the almost certain death of a concentration camp, so breaking out of a nursing home is small potatoes. Â She beat it out of a Polish ghetto by refusing to take orders, so she won't likely take that medication. Â Just how is one Jewish family in Miami Beach going to make sure their matriarch, Bubbie, gets something she would never have dreamed of needing . . . help surviving? Managing Bubbie is the family memoir by grandson Russel Lazega that recounts the vexing days in the 1980's when his family banded together to attempt the insurmountable. Â Full of wit, warmth, and awe-inspiring will, Managing Bubbie offers a rarely seen glimpse at the deep reserves of compassion, courage, and even comic relief that emerged during the darkest days of the Holocaust.Â Anyone seeking a new perspective on this defining time, or who share the challenges of managing a difficult family member's health, will find so much in this poignant book.

Witty, sad, inspirational and wrought with humor, this story of a woman's life, and the effect it had upon a deeply interesting family, brings to life a somewhat familiar holocaust story as seen through an entirely different, new and engaging lens. The attorney turned author (or is it the other way around?) captivates his audience through an almost screenplay-type dialogue (think Hollywood-bound) with wit, humor and a balanced rhythm - this is now on my required reading list for friends and family. This author may have found his true calling. Can't wait to see it make its way to the big screen. Read it. Period.

A fun read

Love this book. Well written. Enjoyed her story.

The guy who wrote the book on P.I.P. (litigation of no-fault claims be health care providers when car insurance companies don't pay medical bills) tries his hand and non-fiction with a touching tribute to his grandmother. Russell Lazega is a true Renaissance Man. Great book.

I loved this book. It was written extremely well. I felt as though the characters were my friend. It was an easy book to get into.

Good book, easy read. Hard to believe what some people go through and the strength they find within themselves. Well written going between modern day humor and the past horrors.

Awesome read !!! Hard to decide if I was supposed to laugh or cry at times. I could not put this book down until I reached the end.

Managing Bubbie is an incredible true story about surviving the Holocaust. A story about a selfless, tenacious and often stubborn woman who beat all the odds when the chips were stacked against her. Love does conquer all and Russel's Bubbie proved it in spades.

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