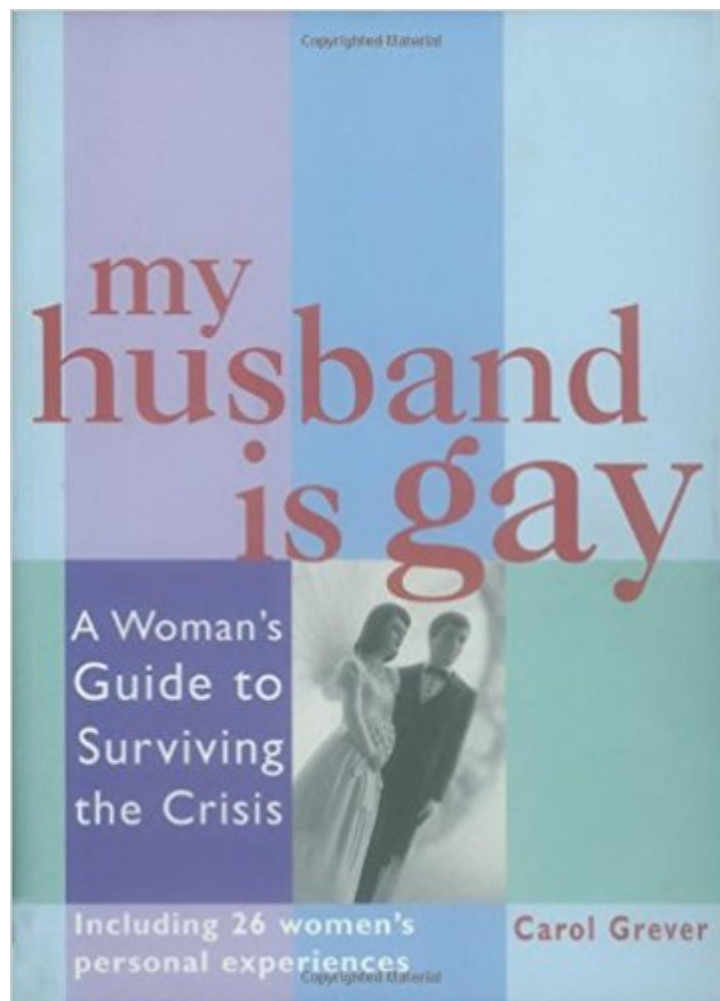




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My Husband Is Gay: A Woman's Guide To Surviving The Crisis



Synopsis

These women demonstrate the will to survive intact . . . Their passage to wholeness exemplifies forgiveness, growth, healing, hope, and sometimes reconciliation. from MY HUSBAND IS GAY Carol and Jim were high school sweethearts who married in their early twenties. Thirty years and two children later, Jim announced to his wife that he was homosexual. A fundamentalist Christian, he had been leading a double life for years. In an effort to sort out her pain and confusion, Carol Grever sought out other heterosexual women, of all ages, ethnicities, and educational backgrounds, who were married to gay men. The stories she uncovered examine their coping strategies and form the basis of this manual for healing.

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Customer Reviews

After 30 mostly happy years of marriage, Carol Grever's husband told her that he is gay. As she discovered, the phenomenon is relatively common, because many gay men believe they are at economic or social risk if they don't marry. In *My Husband Is Gay: A Woman's Survival Guide*, Grever shares her story and those of 25 other women of varying ages and backgrounds. Although most of their marriages ended in divorce, some of those who divorced were successful in preserving a healthy friendship with their husbands. Grever provides practical guidance (including professional resources and advice on telling the children) and positive support for women who suddenly find themselves in a marriage that is not what they thought. Copyright 2001 Cahners Business Information, Inc.

To learn after 30 years of marriage that your husband is gay must have been a devastating revelation for the author. She writes of it in order to help other women that may face the same situation. She shares with us her loneliness and sadness, shock, and disorientation she experienced. She struggled through, eventually sorted out her own life, talked with others in the same situation and managed to return to being a wholesome, happy woman. This is a good book to read to understand the lives of others, especially when they are so different than our own. I highly recommend it!

This book's content is very helpful for the intended audience. I highly recommend this to any woman who finds herself in this terrible situation.

I met Carol Grever several years ago while I was speaking in Boulder, Colorado and welcomed the opportunity to thank her for her work. In this book Grever shares her story of having been married to a closeted gay man along with the stories of 26 other women who experienced the same situation. Grever's attitude of acceptance, love and continued support and friendship for her husband after he came out of the closet is particularly refreshing. She was fortunate to find new love and to rebuild her life. She and her new husband forge a deep, mutually appreciative relationship with her former husband and his new partner. Grever shares the pain and new hope of this difficult transition openly while avoiding being overly sentimental and, thus, projects hard-won authenticity. I found her book both helpful and inspiring. ERMALOU M. ROLLER
Author, *On Thundering Wings: Homosexuality, Love & the Church on Trial*

While I have yet to find a good comprehensive book on this topic, this is the best I've read yet. Carol Grever treats the subject with compassion, and interweaves many personal stories that the reader can relate to. I also appreciated that, while it may be rare or tough for a mixed orientation marriage to stay together, it's not impossible and the book reflects that message. Having been the spouse of a gay man for 20 years (and known of his orientation for 10), I know that it is not impossible to make a marriage work, though it takes some incredible strength on the parts of both the straight and gay spouses. My husband and I both appreciated this book's approach.

Ditto another helpful book for any woman in this situation

Written with compassion and sensitivity. It was like reading all my pain written eloquently and with

dignity. She provides sensible, mature, enlightened, and well-considered suggestions on how to deal with the pain. It was a light in the darkness. Every straight spouse should read this book.

Too many gay men marry straight women only to find it makes both people miserable. This book helps understand it all.

I was so glad to find this book during a horrible time in my life! It was a great help to realize I was not alone in this situation. Thank you so much for your web site and your books. It has been a few years since my discovery and I am doing well but I still refer to this book at times when I need a little help.

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