

FERNSIDE FAVORITES

BOOKS ON SERIOUS ILLNESS

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>READER/AUDIENCE</u>
<u>A FAMILY'S JOURNEY: A HANDBOOK FOR LIVING WITH ILLNESS AND FINDING HOPE*</u>	2007	Patricia Ellen, Ginny Keegan, Frankie Odom	Adults
A book that shares stories of families dealing with the the many challenges a serious illness brings. Also includes activities at the end of each chapter that helps families explore feelings and celebrate life.			
<u>A SUMMER TO DIE</u>	1977	Lois Lowry	Grades 6-8
Meg's older sister, Molly, is being a grouch and she looks funny. Then she is rushed to the hospital and Meg has to accept that something is terribly wrong. Is it too late for Meg to show what she really feels?			
<u>THE HOPE TREE: KIDS TALK ABOUT BREAST CANCER</u>	1999	Laura Numeroff, et al	Grades K-3
A comforting book written to help children cope with a mother's breast cancer.			
<u>IF I COULD BE SICK FOR YOU FOR JUST ONE DAY*</u>	2005	Kathy Cramer	All grades
A beautiful story filled with the wishes we have when a person we love is ill.			
<u>JUST YOU AND ME*</u>	1995	Judy Richmond	All grades
This book was designed by a hospice worker so the last days a child spends with a dying loved one could be filled with love. Includes 50 fun and memorable ways to say "I love you."			
<u>LET MY COLORS OUT*</u>	2009	Courtney Filigenzi	Grades Pre-K
Using color to represent his emotions, a young boy expresses how he feels during his mother's cancer treatment.			
<u>MY MOM IS DYING: A CHILD'S DIARY*</u>	1994	Jill McNamara	Grades K-3
When Kristine learns her mother is dying, she turns to god for help and has "conversations" that help her sort out her feelings. Written in diary form.			
<u>PROMISES</u>	2000	Elizabeth Winthrop	Grades K-3
From her mom's serious illness, Sarah learns about treatments, hospitals, hair loss and to be quiet when she wants to be loud. She also learns her mom keeps promises as they celebrate good times together.			
<u>SADAKO & THE THOUSAND PAPER CRANES</u>	1977	Eleanor Coerr	Grades 3-6
A 10-year old Japanese girl has leukemia and based on a legend, she starts to make paper cranes to help her during this time. Her friends continue to make them after she dies. Based on a true story.			
<u>TIMOTHY DUCK: THE STORY OF THE DEATH OF A FRIEND*</u>	1987	Lynn B. Blackburn	Grades K-4
The story of a young duck whose best friend becomes ill and dies.			
<u>TIP-TAP POP*</u>	2010	Sarah Lynn	Grades 1-3
Emma and her grandfather are tap-dancing buddies, but then Pop is getting old and starts forgetting things.			
<u>WHAT ABOUT ME?:WHEN BROTHERS & SISTERS GET SICK*</u>	1992	Allan Peterkin	Grades K-3
This book offers three different approaches in dealing with issues surrounding an illness.			
<u>WHEN A PARENT HAS CANCER*</u>	1997	Wendy Schlessel Harpham	Adults
A guide to help adults raise children in healthy ways while facing their own potentially life-threatening illness.			

*Indicates item is available in the Fernside Resource Center. Materials may be borrowed. Please call ahead.