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Poor Mrs. Rigsby



Synopsis

CNA Sally Cox is about as happy to be at Walnut Hills Nursing Center as the patients are. But itâ€™s work or starve, now that her husband has found a younger companion. Sallyâ€™s new crowd skews toward the elderlyâ€”ninety-year-old Elsie Rigsby, for instance, whose dementia comes and goes with her gold-digging son and grandsonâ€™s visits. Elsieâ€™s not going to tell those vultures where she stashed her money. Still, sheâ€™s not getting any younger, and someone besides her needs to know. Three deaths later, is anyone watching Sally? The love of moneyâ€”Poor Mrs. Rigsby gets so confused. But sheâ€™s Sally Coxâ€™s favorite patient at Walnut Hills Nursing Center. Itâ€™s too bad her only relatives are her insensitive son, Harry, whoâ€™s always badgering her about money, and a charming but unreliable grandson. â€”Is a rootâ€”Harry Rigsby is retired, but these years arenâ€™t exactly golden for him. Heâ€™s been reduced to eating ketchup sandwiches when his Social Security check doesnâ€™t stretch to cover the whole month. It just isnâ€™t fair. He has long suspected his mother of rat-holing money, but she wonâ€™t admit it. Trouble is, if he doesnâ€™t find out before her mind goes, heâ€™ll never see a penny of it. â€”Of all kinds of evil. Sally Cox is drowning in debt and resentful that her job at the nursing home doesnâ€™t pay enough. When Mrs. Rigsby tells her and a coworker that sheâ€™s hidden money from her greedy son, the coworker devises the perfect scheme to end Sallyâ€™s financial woesâ€”and opens a door to something evil! Poor Mrs. Rigsby explores the pitfalls of financial worry, the wages of greed, and the God who has promised to be a refuge from both. Story Behind the BookIâ€™ve been dismayed by the financial abuse of people in powerâ€”corporate CEOs, trusted religious leaders, and even heads of householdsâ€”whose mismanagement and greed have inflicted hardship on many a victim. But I wrote Poor Mrs. Rigsby to show what can happen when victims justify using dishonest means in an effort to regain control of their financial ture. Itâ€™s my hope that this story will challenge believers to take an honest look at where they draw the line between their own striving for financial purityâ€”and trusting God to provide what they need.

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Customer Reviews

Herman's Poor Mrs. Rigsby asks whether it can ever be right to steal. When her husband, Sam, leaves her for another woman, Sally Cox is left almost penniless, so she takes some training and becomes a CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) at a rest home. One of her patients is Elsie Rigsby, who squirreled away a quarter million through the years. Her son and grandson try to wrest it from her, but Elsie pretends to be demented, and in any case, if the money were found, it would belong to Medicaid and the IRS. When Sally learns Elsie's secret, she doesn't know what to do. Then Elsie dies, and another CNA convinces Sally to join with her to dig up the money. A first-rate mystery follows, replete with petty criminals, a trail of bodies, and some telling observations about being poor in America. John Mort

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Kathy Herman is an award-winning poet and bestselling novelist who is very much at home in the Christian publishing industry, having served on staff at the Christian Booksellers Association for five years. She has drawn on her eleven years of bookstore experience as a children's products specialist to conduct related seminars in the US and Canada. She has helped develop public school characterbuilding curriculum and has also been a preliminary judge for the ECPA Gold Medallion awards. Kathy and her husband, Paul, residents of Tyler, Texas, have three grown children and five grandchildren. Kathy's hobbies include world travel, deep sea fishing, and ornithology.

The story was well written & I liked the character development. Although I could figure out most of where it was going, it wasn't predictable & the details of how/who/what weren't obvious. Very good read. The kindle version has so many typos it is distracting. Almost every page had a misspelled word or extra characters, thus only 3 stars.

I loved this book. The characters were wonderful and came to life. I loved the twists and turns. My one complaint was the number of typos in this book. Never had this so bad before. Parts I had to

guess at what the word was. However, I wanted to hear more about the other characters in the book and how their lives went forward. I see a really good series in this book Kathy! Please.....tell us more about these wonderful people.

I love Kathy Herman's books. Although this copy was for someone else, I read it a few years ago and loved it. She is a suspenseful yet clean writer. I like the fact that my 15 year old niece can read it without her parents having to worry about bad language. It keeps you on the edge of your seat...just like all her books do.

This one kept me guessing to the end. I felt for Mrs. Rigsby and some of the other characters. I felt like I knew them. Kathy Herman never disappoints me.

I like this book, it was suspenseful, the author is a favorite of mine. I will continue reading the authors books as they are written and published. purchased thru .

This was a tremendous book, showing us the effects greed can have on a family and a community.

I first read this book several years ago and it remains the best book I have ever read. The story line is suspenseful and rivoting.

The author of this book, Kathy Herman, is very popular with our church library readers, so this book was bought for the library. So far, it has not been read.

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