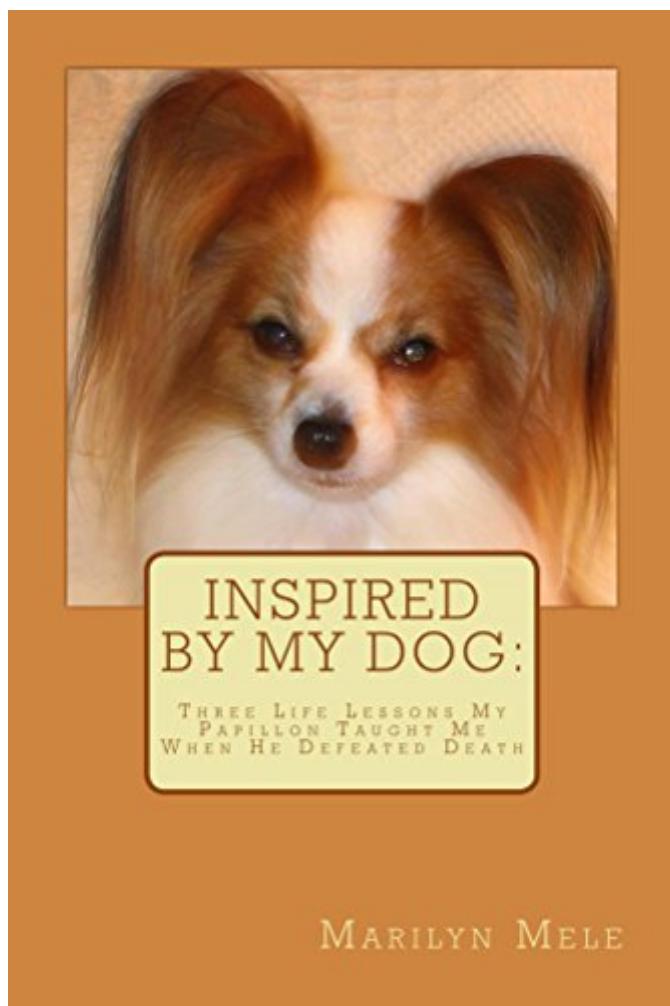


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# Inspired By My Dog: Three Life Lessons My Papillon Taught Me When He Defeated Death



## **Synopsis**

This is a heartwarming and inspiring true account of the amazing survival of a little Papillon dog. At the age of ten Corey had no history of any serious health problems. He was an active therapy dog and had only recently retired from competing in dog sports like Agility. Then, one summer night in 2012, he suffered a major stroke that nearly killed him. But, as the title suggests, this little warrior not only defeated death, but recovered to thrive and grow stronger. His battle against crushing odds inspired the author to tell his story and to share the life lessons she learned from this tiny teacher. Anyone who has ever loved a dog or who has experienced a life crisis will be moved by Corey's journey from the brink of death to an astonishing full life. The author describes his condition this way: "When I brought Corey home from the hospital, he was almost completely helpless." She then goes on to describe this little dog's steadfast determination: "Giving up never occurred to Corey." The lessons in this book will resonate with anyone who has ever had to start over after a defeat or a disappointment. Although the book is short, it packs a powerful personal message. Readers will find it inspirational to go back often and reread the lessons again and again. Ultimately this is a story about the profound nature of the human animal bond. In the book's Prologue the author states, "Once in a while a dog comes into your life and changes everything. For me that dog is Corey. He has been my friend and companion, but above all, he has been my teacher. As he struggled to survive a sudden and shocking medical crisis, he showed me that courage and the will to persevere can overcome even the most stubborn obstacles." This little book would make a wonderful gift for any dog lover.

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## Customer Reviews

Marilyn Mele writes about Corey, "It wasn't like him to just refuse for no reason. That statement hit me like a ton of bricks. My high-drive agility-crazed Border Collie Fitzgerald had recently started putting himself in the car after running exercises in agility class. Fitzgerald has developed noise phobia. My classmates and I passed his behavior off as more fear of the passing traffic (which seemed full of loud motorcycles and trucks with the warming weather). However, after reading Corey's amazing story, I felt that Fitzgerald was trying to tell me something, and I needed to listen. We started with blood work at his vet office which came back perfect. We then visited a canine chiropractor who found several sore spots in my boy's neck and back along with a lot of muscle tension. We then visited a vet who specializes in physical therapy who found a sore spot above an elbow. During this palpitation by the vet, the only discomfort sign that Fitzgerald showed was dilation of his pupils. After, 3 chiropractic adjustments, the addition of the supplement Dasuquin to his diet, and massages after agility practice, Fitzgerald is no longer running to the car after an exercise and is eager to run again. This book is a wonderful reminder to all pet parents and parents of children as well. If your pet's or child's behavior suddenly changes, LISTEN! They are trying to tell you something. Always look for a medical explanation first. Young children and pets want to please. If they act out or behave in an unexpected manner, dig deeper and look for the hidden cause. Thumbs up to Marilyn and Corey for helping me to get Fitzgerald back on track. Love you!"

Inspiring, good for Corey and his caring friend. Happy he made it well. Papillon have such a spunky personality, a little fighter. As an owner of a beautiful papillon, that got very sick, and was at the point of being put down, I was interested in seeing another perspective. I was lucky enough to find a caring vet, who was finally able to diagnose what was going on. She is now thriving , happy and a little chubby. The day I was supposed to put her down, I was crying so hard and praying for a miracle, and it came in the shape of a different vet.Yes, I do believe in miracles, I had mine.

After meeting this adorable, spunky, and beautiful little dog, I was very curious to read about his journey back to health after his devastating illness. This book was a wonderful read, written from the heart, and Corey's spirit shone through on every page. Marilyn's determination, and dedication to his recovery was deeply moving, and the fact that neither of them ever gave up was very uplifting and inspirational. I have already recommended this book to several of my dog-loving friends. Marilyn's dedication to her dogs clearly knows no bounds.

I really enjoyed reading about Corey's remarkable recovery from a stroke. I really admired Marilyn's heart warming story about her wonderful dog Corey's recovery from a stroke. It made me realize that with prayer and perseverance anything is possible. I also loved the courage and will power of Corey's desire to survive. E. Vogel

My little guy's name is Peppy. He's three now. He rescued me after my son's suicide. I am so pleased to hear this story. If this ever happens to Peppy, I'll for sure head to Knoxville...

A wonderful book with three great life lessons! I am already compiling a list to receive this book as a gift from me. Life lessons applicable in many of life's situations! Very easy read.

A quick read but very inspiring! A story of how your best fur friend can inspire you to live life to the fullest and to push through the hard times. Great read!!

To know a papillon is to love papillons.. They never give up. A good lesson for us all.

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