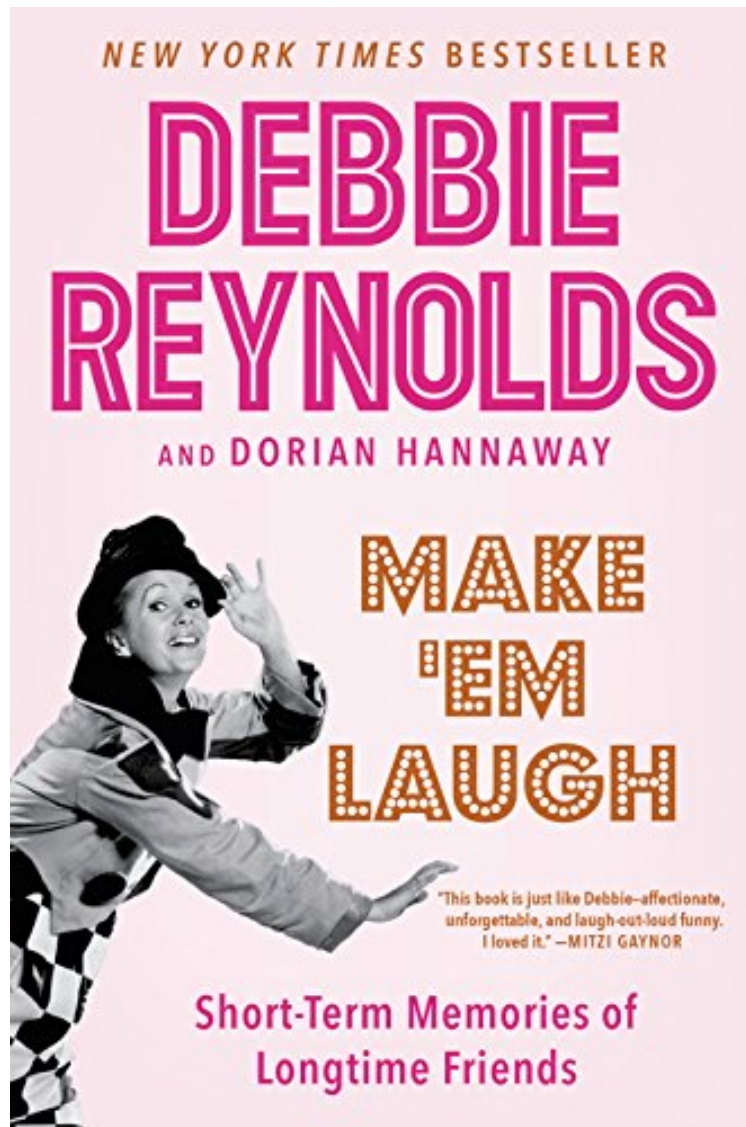


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**Debbie Reynolds, Dorian Hannaway : Make 'Em Laugh: Short-Term Memories of Longtime Friends** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Make 'Em Laugh: Short-Term Memories of Longtime Friends:

11 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Debbie's a treasureBy Russell J. SandersReading Debbie Reynoldss Make Em Laugh is like sitting in her living room on a cozy couch, sipping a cool drink, and listening to Debbie herself tell you her stories. The book compiles several stories from Debbies memories of both celebrities and

non-celebrities. And with them all, you get a sense of what a beautiful woman Reynolds is. Despite being a movie star from the era when stars were truly stars, she is down to earth, a little ditzy, and very loving. Sadly, many of the stars she writes of are now dead, but how wonderful it is to have Debbie's memories of them. Reynolds is a powerhouse performer and a loving mother and grandmother. My only complaint is that I expected this book to be filled with belly laughs. I did laugh out loud a few times, but mostly I chuckled. And sometimes, I almost cried at the sadness surrounding some of the folks she tells of. The underlying sadness is that, in her early 80s, we may not have Debbie around too many more years to entertain us. But we have the next best thing: this book. 20 of 21 people found the following review helpful. *Debbie Does Make Me Laugh!* By Deborah J. White I have loved Debbie Reynolds for as long as I can remember. As a little girl, my parents got me the record of her singing "Tammy". I seriously think I wore a hole through it, I played it and sang along so often. Reading the memories of her life and friends brings me back to my own childhood and watching all of Debbie's movies. It also gave great insight into her crazy life off stage as well. The friends she had (Debbie and Elizabeth Taylor? After that divorce from Eddie, who would have thought?), Ava Gardner and Lana Turner, even Liberace! The parties, the heart aches, the hugs they had for each other. Debbie's stories show that actors are really just people after all. Thanks for sharing the memories with us. This is one book I will definitely re-read several times. PS- the story at the end was beyond hysterical! I could visualize Debbie and Carrie trying to get Todd's dog out of the tub, with Todd's lovely wife Catherine Hickland standing there in a bit of shock! Great read all the way through! 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. *Lessons to Learn and Love and Forgive* By Joel C. Parks Debbie, tells it as it is, lessons to learn and love and forgive.. bright Dreams and dark Shadows, and she is Unsinkable, when her journey is over she will "graduate- with- honors" from the Earth -School , thank you Debbie for the Sparkle and Truth you give to us all.

The beloved Hollywood star and New York Times bestselling author of *Unsinkable* continues her intimate chat with fans in this entertaining collection of anecdotes, stories, jokes, and random musings from a woman who has seen it all and done most of it. From her acclaimed performances to her headline-making divorce from Eddie Fisher, raising a famous daughter to hitting the road with a successful one-woman show, Debbie Reynolds was in the spotlight for decades. Over her more than six-decade-long career she met presidents, performed for the Queen of England, and partied with kings. In this fabulous personal tour, she recalls wonderful moments with the greats of the entertainment world Lucille Ball, Frank Sinatra, Bette Davis, Phyllis Diller, and many, many more sharing stories that shed new light on her life and career and the glittering world of Hollywood then and now. Debbie has plenty to tell and in *Make Em Laugh*, she dishes it in the warm, down-to-earth voice her fans adore. Debbie shares memories of late night pals and some of the greatest comedians of all time, stories from the big screen and small, and tales of marriage, motherhood, and children. Combining her wicked sense of humor and appealing charm, she reveals the personal side of show business and fame in funny, poignant, and delightful reminiscences. Nothing is off limits: Debbie talks about her sex life, her family drama and even shares a few secret recipes. A true Hollywood icon, beloved by millions of fans around the world, Debbie Reynolds died on December 28, 2016, at the age of 84, just one day after the death of her daughter, actress and author Carrie Fisher.

A frothy collection of stories and gossip from the comedic actress.... Names drop like snowflakes, glistening in the sunny terrain of this exuberant memoir. (Kirkus) If I learned nothing else from my mom and I learned quite a bit, though her sex tips left something to be desired, so to speak it was this: Life is hilarious especially when it's not because that's the only time it truly has to be. (Carrie Fisher) Debbie Reynolds is one of our country's most gifted and original actresses . . . literally a force of nature. (Carl Reiner) This book is just like Debbie affectionate, unforgettable, and laugh-out-loud funny. I loved it and I love her. (Mitzi Gaynor) These rich, often illuminating, anecdotes read much like a catalogue of the memorabilia that Reynolds sold off over the last few years. The stories not only augment the gaps left in *Unsinkable* but also act as an elegy to the ever-fading memories of Hollywood's golden era. (Washington Post) Debbie is my favorite woman on earth - and again, I apologize for breaking her rib! (Roseanne Barr) Who knew Debbie Reynolds could take down a running back like me? Incidentally, I enjoyed it. She is great. (Regis Philbin) Anyone who loves Hollywood and movies is bound to enjoy this lively, funny book, filled with candid recollections. Debbie was a movie-struck kid who experienced the last days of Hollywood's Golden Age, and I love her clear-eyed memories. (Leonard Maltin) [Reynolds is] indisputably a grand dame of show business. (NPR on *UNSinkable*) Lively. (People on *UNSinkable*) Debbie Reynolds knows exactly how to steal the scene, wring tears, and most important, how to leave the audience feeling thoroughly entertained. (New York Journal of Books on *UNSinkable*) Nothing could sink this lady. (New York Post on *UNSinkable*) From the Back Cover From her acclaimed performances to her headline-making divorce from Eddie Fisher, and from raising a famous daughter and being a proud grandmother to hitting the road with a successful one-woman show, Debbie Reynolds's life has been splashed across newspaper headlines and magazine covers for decades. In this fabulous personal tour through sixty-five years onstage and on-screen, Debbie recalls wonderful moments with the greats of the entertainment world Lucille Ball, Frank Sinatra, Bette Davis, Phyllis Diller, Gary Cooper, her dear friend Judy Garland, Bob Hope, and many

more sharing stories that shed new light on her life and career and on the glittering world of Hollywood then and now. Combining her wicked sense of humor and appealing charm, she reveals the personal side of show business and fame and displays the consummate skill of a beloved entertainer who truly knows how to make em laugh. About the Author Debbie Reynolds was an actress, comedienne, singer, dancer, and author best known for her leading roles in *Singin' in the Rain* and *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, and on TV as Bobbi Adler in *Will Grace*. After more than sixty years in the entertainment industry, she was a true Hollywood icon, beloved by millions of fans of all ages around the world. Debbie Reynolds died on December 28, 2016, at the age of 84, just one day after the death of her daughter, actress and author Carrie Fisher. Dorian Hannaway was the director of late-night programming at CBS-TV for more than fifteen years, supervising the production of *The Late Show with David Letterman*; *The Kids in the Hall*; and *The Late, Late Show*. She has known Debbie for more than thirty years, and has written and produced many projects with her.