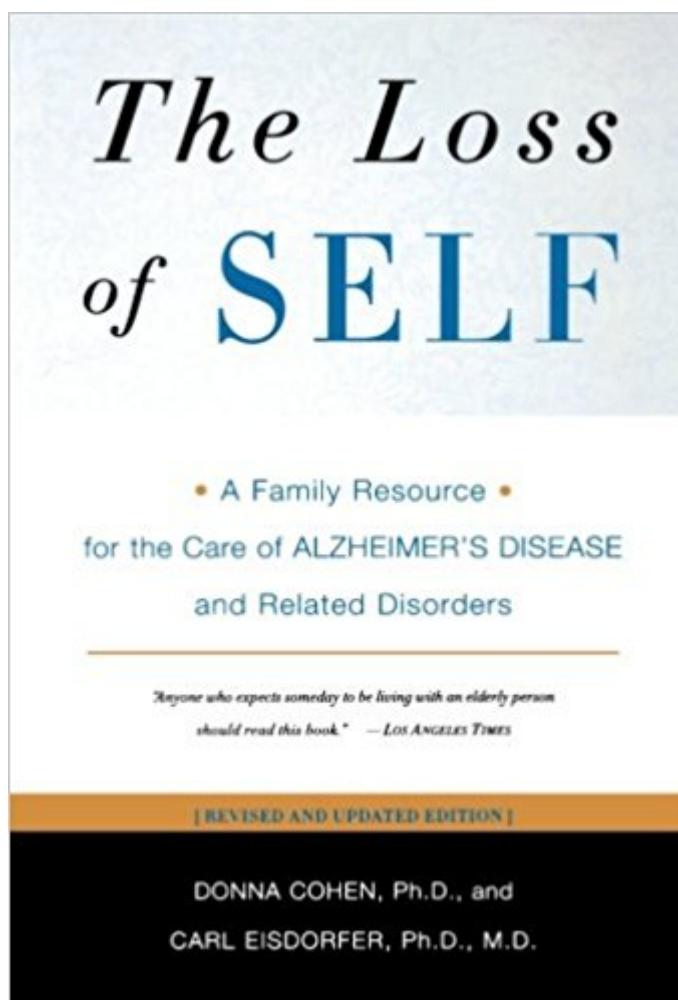


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# The Loss Of Self: A Family Resource For The Care Of Alzheimer's Disease And Related Disorders (Revised Edition)



## **Synopsis**

A tremendous resource for all those grappling with Alzheimer's disease, including patients, families, caregivers, and professionals. This fully revised and updated edition gives the latest information on causes, preventive measures, diagnosis, treatment, and drugs. But *The Loss of Self* goes even further than the biological, medical, and social issues to explore the emotional challenges any person coping with Alzheimer's will experience. Personal stories give hope, dignity, and ideas for solving even the most difficult problems such as sexuality, violence, abuse, and family conflict. *The Loss of Self* speaks to those suffering from Alzheimer's and to family members wanting to understand how to help a relative and to meet their own needs over the long years of caring.

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Despite greater public awareness and continued research, no cure for Alzheimer's Disease has yet been found. However, Eisdorfer, president/chief executive officer of Montefiore Medical Center and professor of psychiatry and neurosciences at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and Cohen, a gerontologist also affiliated with Montefiore and Einstein College, believe that these accounts of how families have coped with the debilitating disease may help other afflicted families to better manage the lives of the patient and themselves. The authors advise readers on developing and implementing a comprehensive, affordable life care plan to handle both practical and emotional matters. They discuss the sensitive relationships between doctor, family and patient, and the need to consider the interests of individual family members. The selection of a nursing home and

chapters on dying and the cost of care complete this compassionate and sensible guidebook. Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

The authors offer timely and necessary advice for the families of the more than two million Americans facing various dementias. The book reflects state of the art information as well as the authors' extensive experience in assessment, treatment, and rehabilitation for dementia patients and their families. Included is practical information on "what to do after the diagnosis, where to go for help, . . . how to care for the patient at home, when to institutionalize the patient." Drug information provided in the text and an appendix is particularly useful. The authors' insights and their personalized narrative make the book very readable. Although some information is duplicated elsewhere, this is the most succinctly informative and inclusive book on the topic to date. For public libraries and subject collections. Nancy B. Burrell, M.L.S., IBID Inc., Sarasota, Fla. Copyright 1986 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This book was recommended to me by an acquaintance who helped care for her husband's mom as her dementia progressed. I cried as I read some of the chapters; but they were not just poignant vignettes. They provided crystal-clear insight into what my mom is experiencing. I could relate to the effects on the family. I learned some invaluable techniques to help on a daily basis. I realized that some of the patient's anger is just fear coming out in a "fight or flight" response where flight is not an option. I would strongly recommend this book to anyone who has a relative or spouse or close friend who is suffering from dementia or Alzheimers.

Well the book it's not an easy read it has lots of good information in it and enough personal stories to keep interest and make what is talked about real.

I felt the book was a little dated and not as helpful as others I've read.

An excellent source for those dealing with Alzheimer's

I was not disappointed. The book had been loaned to me by a physician so wanted it for reference relating to family member with dementia.

excellent

great resource and clearly written by one who truly understands what families go through and what they are facing. Helpful in decision making

Good for source for learning and understanding for family members that know/have a relative who has dementia. Book is written in non-technical words and a helpful manner.

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