# Memorable Loss

## A Story of Friendship in the Face of Dementia

*Karen Martin*

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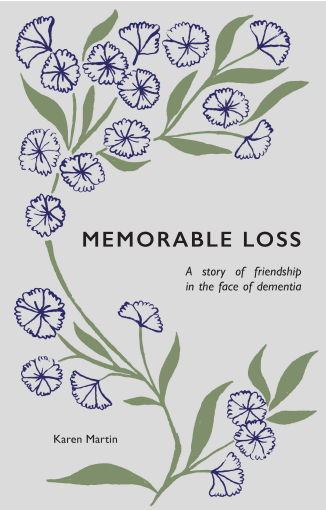


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**DESCRIPTION**

With nearly 10 million new cases diagnosed every year, dementia is something many people face. Karen Martin's story about her friend Kathleen, however, is overwhelmingly one of love and persistence. Their genuine friendship and faith, despite their half–century age difference, is at the heart of this story. Charting highs and lows from pre–diagnosis to Kathleen's eventual passing, this moving tale highlights the difficulties and joys of facing dementia, through the lens of friendship.

**MARKETING POINTS**

Memoir of experience with dementia

From point of view of friendship

Faith and hope in the face of disease and death

**AUTHOR**

Karen began writing in earnest after winning the Henley Literary Festival prize for a short story whose central character was living with Alzheimer's. She went on to achieve a distinction in her Writing MA at Warwick University where the seeds of this book were sown. Karen has recently returned to her roots in the Cotswolds following thirty–years in Maidenhead.

**ENDORSEMENTS**

Are we more than our memories? Karen Martin shares her journey to focus on a person, not a disease; a loved one living with memory loss, not a dementia victim; and a friend's present and future, not just her fading memories. This book will be a fount of wisdom for anyone who cares for a friend with dementia.

**Dave Deuel**
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... I couldn't help thinking as I read that what Karen and Kathleen experienced was a gift from God to them both but also to all who can eavesdrop through Karen's account. ... a profound meditation on memory and personhood, human identity and Christian discipleship. I'm delighted to see that this book has finally made it into print.

**Mark Meynell**
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