

A Testament to Unwavering Love — Ralph Green Announces Memoir, The Long Goodbye Twice

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Roswell, New Mexico Nov 21, 2025 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Ralph Green's upcoming memoir, *The Long Goodbye Twice*, arrives as a quiet and deeply moving testament to the kind of love that outlasts hardship, illness, and grief. Told with clarity and a deep well of lived experience, Green's book offers readers a rare look into the profound courage that emerges when caregiving becomes a life's calling and devotion becomes the anchor of one's days. This is not a story centered on dramatic spectacle; instead, it speaks to the intimate, everyday moments that reveal what love can truly endure.

A Life Formed by Service and Devotion

Green's journey into caregiving began long before adulthood. Growing up in his mother's nursing home, he learned early what it meant to ease another person's suffering. Those early lessons shaped a life spent in service — through school, the Navy, the fire department, and the National Guard. He never sought special recognition for any of it. As he often says, he simply did the work placed in front of him, fortunate to love every job he ever held.

Yet, as he acknowledges with understated honesty, it was a simple milk delivery route that would ultimately define the course of his life. On that route, he met two women who would each become his wife at different times in his life: Rummy and Delfina. Their relationships, unique in their own ways, formed the emotional foundation for the story he now shares.

The First Long Goodbye

In the chapters devoted to Rummy, readers encounter a marriage grounded in steadiness rather than romantic idealism. Their life together was marked by shared responsibilities and the kind of teamwork that binds two people together through the practical realities of work, family, and faith. When illness entered their home, Green stepped into a more demanding form of care. What followed was a long, painful decline that he faced with unwavering presence, honoring the vows they made to each other. Her passing left him with a grief that reshaped every corner of his life, becoming the first of the goodbyes from which the book takes its title.

Love, Loss, and the Second Farewell

Delfina's story unfolds differently yet carries the same steady heartbeat of compassion and commitment. Both grieving, both searching for a way forward, Green and Delfina found themselves drawn together by shared history and mutual respect. Her diagnosis of pulmonary fibrosis forced them to live their days with a tenderness that comes when time is unmistakably finite. They forged a life of small, meaningful routines — morning coffee, gentle humor, and moments of quiet companionship that mattered far more than anything grand.

As her illness progressed, Green found himself once again walking beside someone he loved through their final days. Through this second loss, he learned that grief can deepen love rather than diminish it, and that presence — simple, consistent, and faithful — can be one of the greatest gifts one human can give another.

A Message for Those Who Need It Most

The Long Goodbye Twice is more than a recounting of personal sorrow. It is a work shaped by a desire to help others who are facing terminal illness in their families or who are living the long, difficult road of caregiving. Green hopes his story will bring comfort and strength to those who may feel alone in their circumstances. His memoir reminds readers that even in the darkest chapters of life, faith, hope, and unconditional love can carry us through.

Author Biography

Ralph Green began his caregiving journey at eight years old and never stepped away from a life of service. His professional path includes work in the Navy, the fire service, and the National Guard, but the most defining roles he ever held came within the walls of his own home. Shaped by two extraordinary marriages and the lessons gained through loss, he wrote *The Long Goodbye Twice* to offer encouragement to others walking a similar path. He hopes readers will find in his story the same faith and resilience that carried him through both of his long goodbyes.

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