

Further Reading

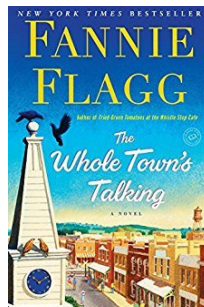
One Italian Summer (March 2022) **by Rebecca Serle**

When Katy's mother dies, she is left reeling. Carol wasn't just Katy's mom, but her best friend and first phone call. She had all the answers and now, when Katy needs her the most, she is gone. To make matters worse, their planned mother-daughter trip of a lifetime looms: two weeks in Positano, the magical town Carol spent the summer right before she met Katy's father. Katy has been waiting years for Carol to take her, and now she is faced with embarking on the adventure alone.



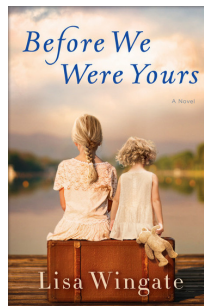
The Whole Town's Talking (November 2016) **by Fannie Flagg**

The late citizens of a small Missouri community wake up underground after death and reconnect with loved ones over the course of 150 years before some of them begin to actually disappear, prompting a town-wide investigation.

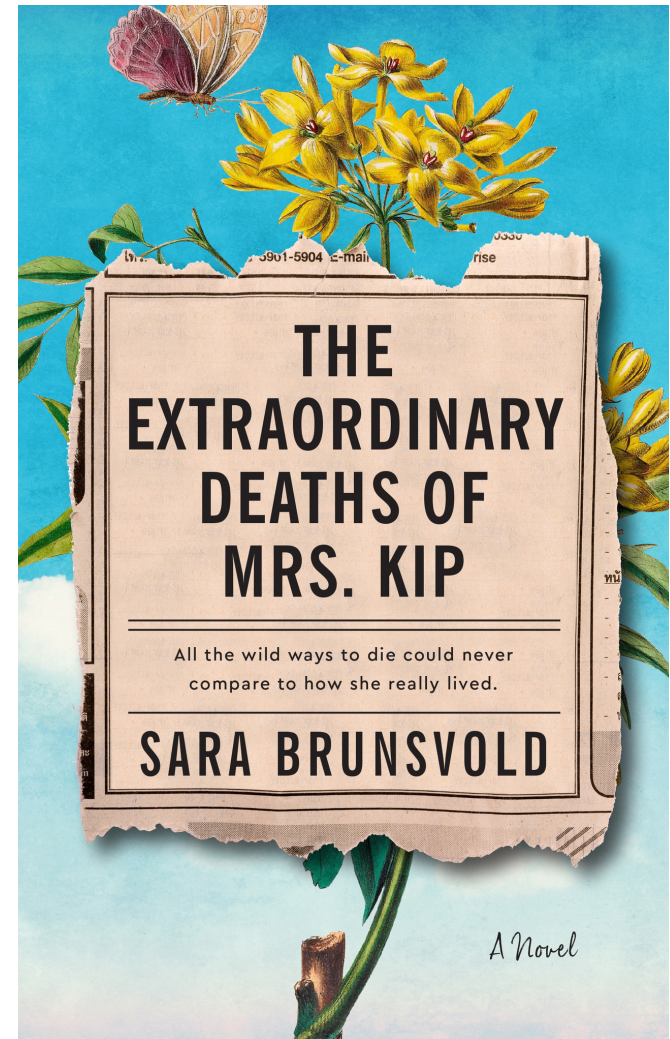


Before We Were Yours (June 2017) **by Lisa Wingate**

Learning that her grandmother was a victim of the corrupt Tennessee Children's Home Society, attorney and aspiring politician Avery Stafford delves into her family's past and begins to wonder if some things are best kept secret.



BOOK DISCUSSION



Discussion Questions

1. Compare and contrast Aidyn's view of success with Clara's. How are they similar? How are they different?
2. Aidyn is scared of death, but Clara is not. What do you think is the root of this difference?
3. Clara tells Aidyn that authentic love "requires a thousand little deaths to self." What does she mean by this?
4. Clara is eager to pour time, prayer, and lessons into young Aidyn. Why does she want to invest so much into someone of a younger generation? How do you invest in those coming up behind you?
5. Describe a time when you listened to the life story of someone of a previous generation. What was the story? What did you take away from it?
6. Have you walked with someone through the end-of-life stage? If so, how does your experience compare to what is presented in the book?
7. Clara will be someone Aidyn will never forget. What is it about Clara that will stay with you?
8. Aidyn discovers the perfect last line for Clara's obituary. What would you want the final line of your obituary to be?

