

# Miracle at Midlife

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# **Romantic Love Strikes at Midlife!**

Award-Winning Memoir Chronicles How Two Scarred Middle-Aged Professionals Embark on a Transformative Transatlantic Courtship and Choose to Bridge the Distance – Geographic and Otherwise – That Separates Them

It's almost too perfect to be true.

A chance encounter in Paris in the spring of 1996 between the divorced American attorney living on a converted barge moored along the banks of the Seine and the vacationing single psychologist from Connecticut yields a classic love story fit for the ages.

Roni Beth Tower's award-winning memoir *Miracle at Midlife: A Transatlantic Romance*, tells the inspiring story of the intense and life-altering courtship between two people in their fifties who (prematurely as it turns out) had given up on ever loving again.

*Miracle at Midlife* chronicles how David, a loner living amid the beauty, freedom, and pleasures of Paris, brings the responsible, overextended, and unbearably lonely Roni Beth back to her core as a woman. In turn, Roni Beth helps David reclaim the connections that tie him to the larger world.

As with all romances, challenges abound. Besides the differing time zones and the difficulties inherent in making 24 Atlantic crossings to see one another, the couple's contradictory styles of interaction, different preferences of parenting their adult children, and varying approaches to managing their professional and social lives must be managed with grace and tact.

As they begin sharing adventures in their respective worlds, Tower explains that she and David wrestle internal demons (mostly hers) and a variety of external threats. Nonetheless, as they grow ever closer, both individuals transform into people open to love, affection, and the incomparable joys of sharing a life together.

Tower comments, "My story is less about the healing power of love than it is about the powerful forces of destiny, the way our lives push us toward lessons we need to learn to become the people we are meant to be. It is about the necessity of choice in the context of inevitability, the ways in which we create possibilities in our lives and then are free to decide how to respond to them."

# Miracle at Midlife received the 2017 IPPY Gold Medal in Autobiography/Memoir (Celebrity/Political/Romance) from the Independent Publisher (IPPY) Book Awards.

"This is a thoughtful chronicle of taking risks and overcoming fears that offers readers hope of experiencing love later in life." ~ Publisher's Weekly

"Say bonjour to the opportunity of finding love later in life with this honest and inspiring journey set in Paris. Both in their fifties, clinical psychologist Roni Beth and attorney David have given up on the idea of love and true companionship until a chance encounter brings them together. Travel between Paris and the U.S. with Roni Beth and David as they explore falling in love later in life, navigate their internal demons, and learn how to make a life together. The poignant and memorable journey of their transatlantic romance will have readers of all ages hunting for their passports and planning an adventure to the city of love." ~ BuzzFeed

**AUTHOR:** Roni Beth Tower grew up in Akron, Ohio, majored in religion at Barnard College, and earned her doctoral degree in clinical psychology from Yale University. She and David, her husband, live in Tarrytown, New York, within easy visiting distance of their six grandchildren. They return to Paris as often as possible. In addition to David, their family, and their friends, Roni Beth loves yoga, dance, quilting, and bringing comfort and joy to people. For more information, visit her website at www.miracleatmidlife.com.