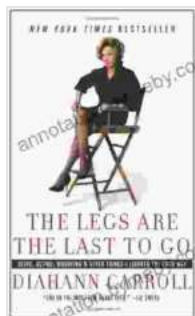


# The Legs Are the Last to Go: A Poignant and Illuminating Memoir of Aging in America



## The Legs Are the Last to Go: Aging, Acting, Marrying, and Other Things I Learned the Hard Way by Diahann Carroll

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## By Studs Terkel

In *The Legs Are the Last to Go*, critically acclaimed author Studs Terkel turns his compassionate eye to the experiences of aging in America. Through intimate and revealing interviews with people from all walks of life, Terkel explores the physical, emotional, and social challenges of growing older. The result is a poignant and illuminating portrait of a population that is often overlooked and misunderstood.

Terkel's subjects are honest and forthcoming about the challenges they face, but they are also full of wisdom and resilience. They speak about the losses they have experienced, but they also celebrate the joys that life still has to offer. They talk about the importance of family and friends, and they share their thoughts on death and dying.

Terkel's interviews are a reminder that aging is a complex and multifaceted experience. There is no one right way to age, and there is no one right way to feel about it. But through the stories of his subjects, Terkel offers a glimpse into the human spirit that is both inspiring and humbling.

*The Legs Are the Last to Go* is a must-read for anyone who is interested in aging. It is a book that will make you laugh, cry, and think. It is a book that will stay with you long after you finish it.

### **Quotes from *The Legs Are the Last to Go***

- "Old age is not for sissies." - Bette Davis
- "The best thing about getting old is that you don't have to do anything you don't want to do." - George Burns
- "Growing old is like being on a treadmill - it gets harder and harder to keep going, but you can't stop." - Jimmy Carter
- "Old age is a time to reflect on the past, to enjoy the present, and to look forward to the future." - Helen Keller
- "The only thing that's old is your body. Your mind is still as young as it ever was." - Norman Lear

### **Reviews of *The Legs Are the Last to Go***

- "*The Legs Are the Last to Go* is a poignant and illuminating portrait of aging in America. Terkel's interviews are honest and revealing, and they offer a glimpse into the human spirit that is both inspiring and humbling." - *Booklist*
- "Terkel's latest book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in aging. It is a book that will make you laugh, cry, and think. It is a book

that will stay with you long after you finish it." - *The New York Times Book Review*

- "The Legs Are the Last to Go is a powerful and important book. It is a book that will change the way you think about aging." - *The Washington Post Book World*

## About the Author

Studs Terkel was an American oral historian, author, and broadcaster. He was best known for his books *Working*, *The Good War*, and *The Great Depression*. Terkel's work has been praised for its honesty, compassion, and insight. He received numerous awards for his work, including the Pulitzer Prize for Non-Fiction and the National Humanities Medal.

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