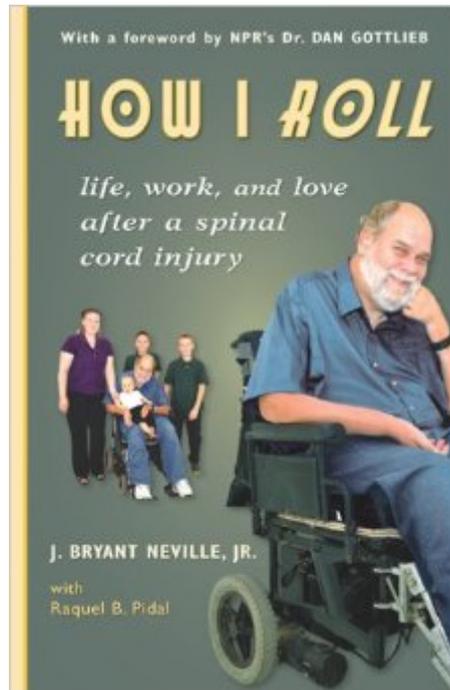


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Customer Reviews

How I Roll by Bryant Neville Jr. is NOT the kind of book I normally pick to read. But I noted it on one of the Top 100 Kindle lists for inspirational books and decided to give it a try. I'm so glad that I did. I was inspired by Bryant's true life story of how he has faced his disability head-on, from the young age of 17, when he was involved in a car accident to the present day, at age 47. I learned a LOT about the reality of what it means to live life in a wheelchair and how a person with a disability like this must learn to adapt to so many "givens" that we take for granted, like going to the bathroom, bathing, showering... etc, are now dealt with. Although I'm rather a squeamish person, I did not find

these references gross or anything like that. I thought the book was well written, in a realistic but still for the most part, sensitive way. Bryant has an incredible family who really helped him to get to where he has in life, in spite of his disability. I was touched by the love that he conveyed for all the people who are close to him, including many friends who stuck by him, through the years. In that respect, Bryant is blessed so much more, than many people in similar circumstances. There was only one sentence that I found a bit surprising and insensitive and this was not in relation to Bryant's injury. It was in reference to a weekend at the Daytona 500 when one of the drivers was tragically killed in a race. When asked by a friend after the weekend was over, how things had gone and if he had HAD FUN, Bryant replied: "Absolutely! The seats were amazing and everyone had a blast." Wow, that didn't sound right and it bothered me, reading this. My husband also read this and said the same thing.

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