The Long Hello
By Cathie Borrie  362.196831 BORRIE
In 2010 Borrie gave the keynote performance at a World Alzheimer's Day event in New York City. The Long Hello distills the seven years the author spent caring for her mother into a page-turning memoir that offers insight into the "altering world of the dementia mind." During that time, Borrie recorded brief conversations she had with her mother that revealed the transformations within.

The Rainbow Comes And Goes
By Anderson Cooper  070.92 COOPER
This book contains a charming, intimate and fascinating collection of correspondence between Anderson Cooper, broadcaster and #1 New York Times bestselling author, and his mother, the celebrated Gloria Vanderbilt.

Unforgettable: a son, a mother, and the lessons of a lifetime
By Scott Simon  LP  070.92 SIMON
Unforgettable is a son's spirited, affecting, and inspiring tribute to his remarkable mother and the love between parent and child. NPR's Scott Simon began tweeting from his mother's hospital room in July 2013. Over the course of a few days, Simon chronicled his mother's death and reminisced about her life, revealing her humor and strength, and celebrating familial love. This book expands on those famous tweets to create a memoir that is rich, deeply affecting, heart-wrenching, and exhilarating.

The Color of Water: a black man’s tribute to his white mother
by James McBride  B MCBRIDE
As a boy in Brooklyn’s Red Hook projects, McBride knew his mother was different. As an adult, he finally persuaded his mother to tell her story: the story of a rabbi’s daughter, born in Poland and raised in the South, who fled to Harlem, married a black man, founded a Baptist church, and put twelve children through college.

The End Of Your Life Book Club  LP
by Will Schwalbe  616.9940092 SCHWALBE
This is the inspiring story of a son and his dying mother, who form a "book club" that brings them together as her life comes to a close. As Mary Anne battles cancer, they carry on conversations that are both wide-ranging and deeply personal, prompted by an eclectic array of books and a shared passion for reading.

The Glass Castle: a memoir
by Jeannette Walls  362.82092 WALLS
Jeannette Walls’ father, when sober, was a charismatic, brilliant man. Her mother, who painted and wrote and couldn’t stand the responsibility of providing for her family, called herself an “excitement junkie”. As the dysfunction of the family escalated, Walls and her siblings had to fend for themselves, supporting each other as they weathered their parents’ betrayals, and finally found the resources and will to leave home.

The Good Daughter: a memoir of my mother’s hidden life
By Jasmin Darznik  305.48 DARZNIK
Darznik came to America from Iran when she was three years old and she grew up knowing very little about her family’s history. One day she found a wedding picture of her mother with a man she had never seen before. At first her mother refused to speak about the photograph, but later she shared the story of her family’s origins in Iran: her marriage at the age of thirteen, her history of abuse and neglect, and the daughter she was forced to abandon in order to escape that life. This is a story of secrets, betrayal, and the unbreakable mother-daughter bond.
Are You My Mother?: a comic drama  
By Alison Bechdel  B BECHDEL
This graphic novel examines the complicated relationship between the author and her mother.

Bettyville: a memoir  
By George Hodgman  306.874 HODGMAN
This is a witty, tender memoir of a son’s journey home to care for his irascible mother—a tale of secrets, silences, and enduring love. When George Hodgman leaves Manhattan for his hometown of Paris, Missouri, he finds himself, an unlikely caretaker and near- lethal cook, in a head-on collision with his aging mother, Betty, a woman of wit and will, who has never really accepted the fact that her son is gay. Will George lure her into assisted living? When hell freezes over.

Carrie and Me: a mother-daughter love story  
By Carol Burnett  B HAMILTON
In this beautiful and poignant tribute to her late daughter, award-winning actress and New York Times bestselling author Carol Burnett presents a funny and moving memoir about mothering an extraordinary young woman through the struggles and triumphs of her life.

Chanel Bonfire: a memoir  
By Wendy Lawless  791.43028093 LAWLESS
Wendy Lawless, actor and author, has written a stunning memoir of resilience in her neglected upbringing by her mentally ill, alcoholic, and suicidal mother.

Elsewhere  
By Richard Russo  B RUSSO
This work is the author’s memoir of his life, his parents, and the upstate New York town of Gloversville that they all struggled variously to escape. Gloversville was famous for its leather products, but by the time Russo was a child, prosperity was inexorably being replaced by poverty and illness, often tannery-related.

Her Last Death: a memoir  
By Susanna Sonnenberg  362.29092 SONNENBE
Sonnenberg is a freelance writer who grew up determined not to become her mother, who was glamorous, charismatic, and a compulsive liar. Her mother seduced everyone who entered her orbit, and with outrageous behavior and judgment tinged by drug use, she taught her child the art of sex and the benefits of lying.

I’m Supposed To Protect You From All This by Nadja Spiegelman  B SPEIGLEM
The balance between Spiegelman and her mother shifted as she got older and her mother opened up to her about her turbulent childhood. She traveled to France, determined to get to know her grandmother, the women from whom her mother had fled. Nadja emerged with a deeper understanding of how each generation reshapes the past in order to forge ahead, their narratives both weapon and defense, eternally in conflict.

Listen to the Squawking Chicken: when mother knows best, what’s a daughter to do?  
By Elaine Lui  306.8743092 LUI
Elaine Lui is a television personality and reporter in Canada, whose specialty is celebrity gossip. Neither traditionally Eastern nor conventionally Western, the Squawking Chicken raised her daughter on ten guiding principles — drawing on Chinese fortune-telling, feng shui, black- mail, good old-fashioned ghost stories, and shame and embarrassment in equal measure. Elaine tells the story of her mother’s life, in which she overcame tremendous hardship to parent with tough love, humor, and devotion to her daughter.

Mom & Me & Mom  
By Maya Angelou  B ANGELOU
Maya Angelou is an American poet and civil rights activist who has published seven autobiographies. In this autobiography, Angelou details what brought her mother to send her away to live with her grandmother when she was three years old, and unearth’s the well of emotions she experienced long afterward as a result.

Mommie Dearest  
By Christina Crawford  791.43028092 CRAWFORD
For Joan Crawford, having a family of her own was an important measure of success. Christina was adopted and presented to the world as the perfect child of the famous film star, but she grew up with the reality of child abuse, alcoholism, and sometimes a nightmare of sheer terror. This is the story of the relationship between a child trying to stay alive and a ruthless, cunning, lonely woman who knew every trick of survival.

My Two Moms: lessons of love, strength, and what makes a family a family  
By Zach Wahls  306.874086 WAHLS
Zach Wahls is known for addressing the Iowa House Judiciary Committee on January 31, 2011, in a public forum regarding full marriage equality. An advocate and son of same-gender parents, he describes his positive experiences of growing up in an alternative family in spite of prejudice.

Nobody’s Son  
By Mark Slouka  B SLOUKA
From World War I to the present, Slouka pieces together a remarkable story of refugees and war, displacement and denial, admitting into evidence memories, dreams, stories, the lies we inherit and the lies we tell — in an attempt to reach his mother, the figure at the center of the labyrinth.

Rebel Mother  
By Robert Goddard  B FIC GODDARD
Goddard tells of his childhood as a boy on the run with his mother, a housewife turned radical who kidnapped her son from his father, and set off for South America in search of the revolution. They were constantly running, moving, and hiding. Between the ages of five and eleven, Robert attended more than a dozen schools and lived in more than a dozen homes, moving from the comfortably bland suburbs of Detroit to a hippie commune in Berkeley to a socialist collective farm in pre-military coup Chile to highland villages and coastal shantytowns in Peru.

The Book of Joan: tales of mirth, mischief, and manipulation  
By Melissa Rivers  792.7602 RIVERS
Joan Rivers was known all over the world -- from the Palace Theater to Buckingham Palace, from the bright lights of Las Vegas to the footlights of Broadway, from the days of talkies to hosting talk shows. But there was only one person who knew Joan intimately, one person who the authorities would call when she got a little out of hand. Her daughter and best friend, Melissa. Melissa Rivers relates funny, poignant and irreverent observations, thoughts, and tales about the woman who raised her.