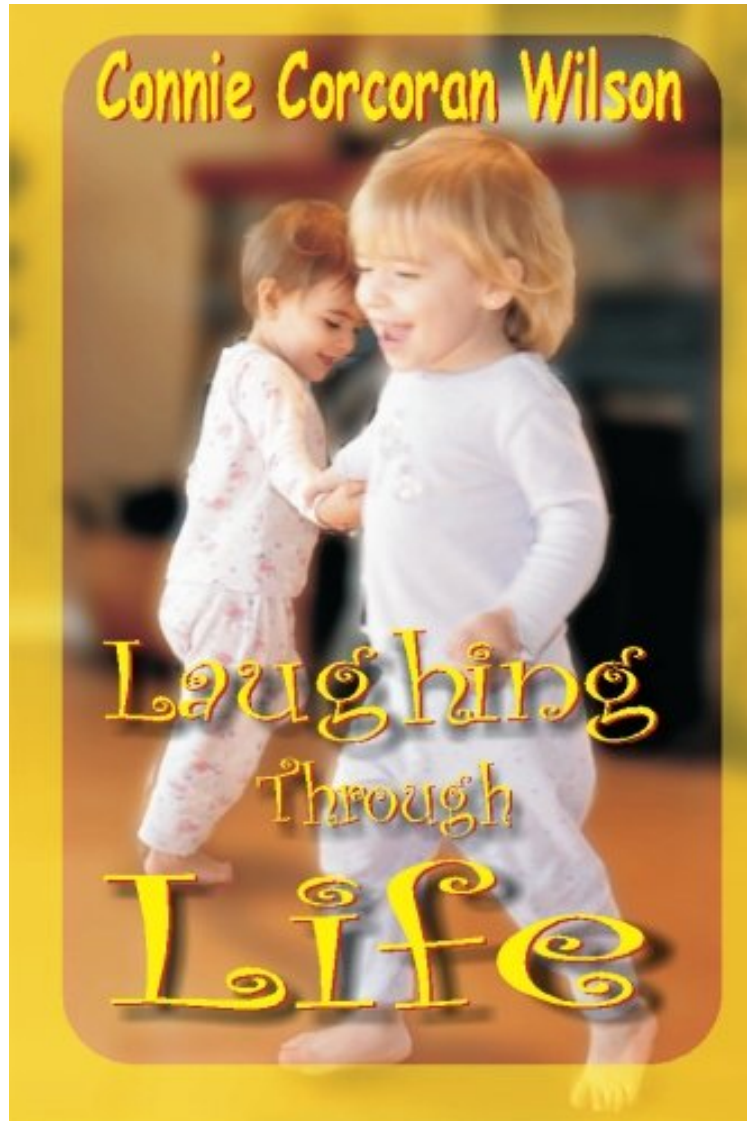


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former midwesterner, but as a middle-aged human as I lived through her anecdotes after we lost track. e.g. The End!! I have to say many of her satirical stories bring a myriad of my own memories and maybe not so unexpectedly (to others) similarities in our philosophies and approaches to life. Though I would not be considered a person of wit, I share hometown, old friends, her political views, golf inclinations, even career choice of teachers of "those teenagers", and probably some other similarities. But SHE has the gift of penning in such a humorous way, those universal stories of our lives that are historical, and hysterical, as well as they are current....the working, career-oriented, politically active woman balancing those roles with wife and mother priorities as well. I recommend that you pick up the book and laugh through it as you relate to many of the anecdotes of life seen through Connie's eyes. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. 'Laughing Through Life' an Extremely Enjoyable Read! By Scott Wilson This book will provide smiles, laughs and brighten your day... smart and well written... what more could you ask for? And those children on the cover are downright adorable!!! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A Gift for Laughter By JLCC Connie Corcoran Wilson connects dead-bang with readers' funnybones with her hilarious takes on the absurdities of life. Like Erma Bombeck and Jean Kerr before her, Ms. Wilson excavates the funny from life's reversals, frustrations and revelations. With a strong progressive slant, the author takes on politics, teenagers, grandparenting, friendship and the foibles of being a human being on planet Earth in the 21st century. If you're looking for a laugh, you find plenty in LAUGHING THROUGH LIFE.

"Laughing through Life" is a collection of humorous essays and anecdotes, (including the author's coverage of the 2004 and 2008 presidential campaigns), that critics have compared to "Erma-Bombeck-Meets-David-Sedaris."

About the Author Connie (Corcoran) Wilson, M.S., is the author of a dozen books that range from a collection of noir short stories, to an illustrated children's book for her 2-year-old twin granddaughters, to a scholarly book on teaching. She's been writing for 55 years and has 2 children, born 19 years apart (unrelated life events, but equally noteworthy). She taught at all 6 colleges in the IA/IL Quad Cities and was the film and book critic for the Quad City Times for over a decade. More recently, she covered the 2004 and 2008 presidential campaigns for a variety of blogs. She was named Content Producer of the Year in 2008 by a 400,000 member blog (Associated Content), now writes for Yahoo, and was the Midwest Writing Center David R. Collins Writer of the Year (3/20/2010). She has taught composition at both junior high and college levels and founded Sylvan Learning Center #3301 and the Prometric Testing Center in Bettendorf, Iowa. Her schools include the University of Iowa, Berkeley, WIU, NIU, and the University of Chicago. Connie's unique (and frequently slyly humorous) take on her journey through life is reflected in "Laughing through Life," a book of anecdotes and essays described as "Erma-Bombeck-Meets-David-Sedaris." See also "It Came from the '70s," (www.ItCamefromtheSeventies.com), "Hellfire Damnation" (www.HellfireandDamnationtheBook.com), and "Ghostly Tales of Route 66" (www.GhostlyTalesofRoute66.com) to fully comprehend just how far-reaching (some would say random) Connie's interests are and how little she likes to be trapped writing in just one genre. (A screenplay for her first novel "Out of Time" was a "Writer's Digest" screenplay winner in 2007 and "Amazing Andy, the Wonder Chicken" won a Whim's Place Flash Fiction competition.) If you don't laugh at least some of the time at the selections in "Laughing through Life," you should check your pulse to see if you are still conscious. Check www.ConnieCWilson.com and/or www.WeeklyWilson.com, the author's blog, for additional information on this prolific writer of humor, horror and everything in-between.