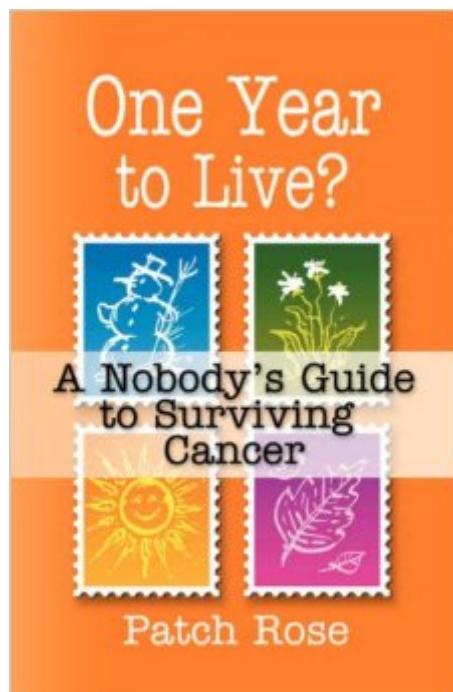


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# ONE YEAR TO LIVE? A Nobody's Guide To Surviving Cancer



## **Synopsis**

From author Patch Rose: "I'm a nobody. I'm not a famous personality or a world-class athlete. I have no money, no influence, and no hair. In short, I'm just like you. Yet, I am the new face of Cancer."

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## **Customer Reviews**

UP-FRONT DISCLOSURE: Patch Rose is my brother... but I read him anyway... he's good, so give him a try! Of the eighteen columns included, I smiled and laughed, nodded knowingly, and experienced blessings sent and received when reading *A Woman Like Velma* (you'll begin to think that an IMRT radiation machine is a real and powerful person... shades of *2001: A Space Odyssey*), *Little Missy* (on the allure of comforting, but junk, food), *Miracles* (how Patrick's circle of support worked some), *Cookie Crumbling* (how Sylvia, Patrick's wife "Cookie," experienced care-taking and giving), *3rd & 10* (a creative account of cancer and recovery narrated by famed sportscasters), and, *Two Phone Calls* (writing about recovery helps someone clear across the country). As I finished my brother's humorous and hopeful book I realized he has succeeded in doing what any of us may choose to do in the face of suffering, if we dare.... To make Light of it.

Diagnosed with brain cancer. What are you gonna do? Cry? Hide? Rend your clothes and take to your bed? Not Patch Rose. He chose to meet his experience head on, with honesty and humor, and to share it with the rest of us. I chuckled, sighed, shed a tear, and laughed out loud. He says he's an

ordinary guy, and I believe him because he shares what are very common experiences. But his talent to bring us in close to share it all with him is extra-ordinary. This is a wonderful read. I'm a physician and have recommended it to my physician friends, patients, and patients' families.

A wonderful recounting of the ups and downs of living with cancer. Amusing and inspiring at the same time. It is neither pollyannish nor fatalistic, showing perhaps a middle way during what many would see as a hopeless time. I would recommend this book to anyone who has trouble in their lives (all of us), not just those with cancer.

Have cancer? It's hardly funny. But Patch Rose has put together a book about his brain tumor that will leave you laughing out loud. He does chemo, but also tries alternative therapies. Like Magical Greens, a concoction touted on a website. Rose calls it a powdered drink "the color and consistency of Kermit the Frog after running into a helicopter blade." One glassful, he says, is the equivalent of seven hundred servings of African grassland. Throughout the book are one-liners that let you know humor can be found anywhere. And his prognosis of living one year? He's beating the odds.

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