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LOVE, LOSS, AND LAGNIAPPE

A Love Story that Defied the Laws of Nature

Life is good for Dr. Drew Coleman, a successful young eye surgeon living in Uptown New Orleans, and he knows it. Having met and married his beautiful medical school classmate, Kate, the two settle happily into the routine of raising their two young daughters.

Drew's charmed life is soon shattered by devastating news, causing him to go on a ten-year transcontinental journey of self-discovery, during which he explores the nature of God and Man, the divine inspiration for many of New York's landmarks and artistic treasures, and the relationship between the found and the lost souls passing on the street. He meets a number of memorable characters, including the young blue-haired runaway, Blue, who renounced her given name when forced to leave her Minnesota home with her girlfriend, Anna.

In time, he discovers and explains the scientific basis for the meaning of life, and is finally found, or finds himself, setting the stage for a bittersweet and memorable ending.

ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Richard has always liked telling good stories, but not until his youngest child left for college was he able to find the time to put them into print. His first novel, *Love, Loss, and Lagniappe* was inspired by actual events in his life, and utilizes Richard's Medical and Business School background to explore the journey of self-discovery after heartbreaking loss, while revealing the scientific basis for the meaning of life. (You'll have to read it to find out!)

Richard is currently working on his second novel, *Panicles*, a multi-generational story of the intersecting fate of two families, and the price of fame versus the simpler pleasures of a grounded life.

Richard lives in New York City with his love and inspiration, Lisa, his wife of thirty years (and counting), near their beloved grown children.

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