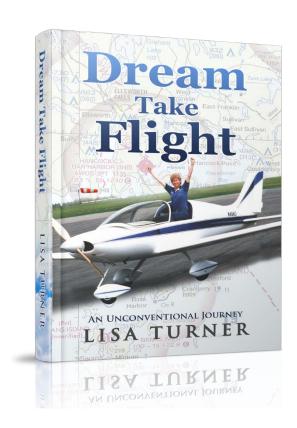
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Dream Take Flight: An Unconventional Journey Lisa Turner Turner Creek www.DreamTakeFlight.com 9780997072327, \$14.95 PB, \$3.99 Kindle 9780997072341, \$27.99, HC, 384pp, www.amazon.com

Mesmerizing storytelling drive this heart-warming story of an introverted girl who succeeds against the odds. What a fascinating memoir--so unusual for a memoir to have this level of entertainment and insight. Exhilarating and magnetic, I really didn't want to stop reading . . . and didn't to the exclusion of everything else. Not to give anything away, but



the story does leave you with an uplifted, satisfied feeling--such a pleasure amidst this somewhat depressing world news cycle.

The other fascinating aspect of this amazing memoir is that Lisa actually gives you advice in the last section of the book--how-to advice on values and goal setting. I love how-to books, and this section on reaching your own goals was as succinct as I have seen in all the tomes I have read on goal setting. Most authors make it too complicated, but Lisa cuts to the chase and tells you only what you need to know to get it right--and it will take you a weekend to do this, well worth it.

This should be required reading for college students. They will all end up being high achievers like Lisa.

As I was captivated with each page, I was also in awe of the skilled degree that Lisa was able

to put me right there with her. Her writing is exceptional at bringing each scene to life--not just right before your eyes but in your heart. Lisa is relatable, funny, inspiring, humble--without trying to be anything other than herself. There is such honest vulnerability, and her never-stop attitude gives us all perspective that we too can keep going--even pursue our dreams. I loved the adventure aspect of it, and have so much respect for the author in what she has done and in sharing it so eloquently.

The bonus of the life goals section is a great check-in 1-2 times every year--for bigger or smaller things you're thinking about. For everyone: How cool to have a reminder that you can be just who you are, have an impact on others, be gracious, kind and grateful--and all of that about you matters and is worth it. Lisa shows us that on every page.

This is an extraordinary, life changing read that you don't want to miss.

Janice Stanner Reviewer