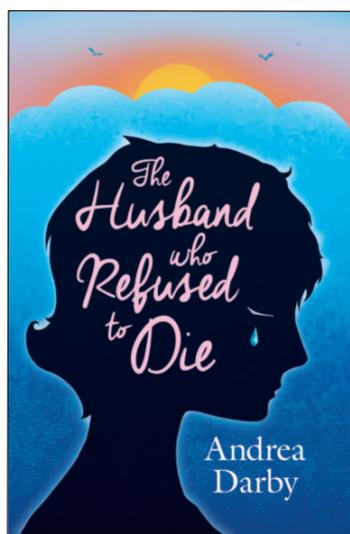




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# THE HUSBAND WHO REFUSED TO DIE

Andrea Darby

*"No body, no coffin, no earth, no ashes, no stone carved with the permanence of an epitaph.  
No drawing of curtains. No laying to rest. You're not in heaven, and what the hell do I do without you now, Dan?"*

Andrea Darby's *The Husband Who Refused to Die* tells the story of Carrie Colwell's struggle after husband Dan dies unexpectedly and leaves behind an extraordinary 'wish' – one that turns out to have difficult repercussions.

Carrie is bewildered, her grief compounded by interfering sister-in-law Sunny, a reflexologist with a soft voice, loud clothes and a bag full of natural remedies. Sunny's intent on keeping her brother's memory alive and ensuring Carrie honours his request. But what will this mean for Carrie?

Two years on and Carrie, mum to increasingly truculent teenage daughter Eleanor, tries to realise a long-suppressed career ambition and tentatively reconnects with an old boyfriend, whose dramatic exit from her life has always been a painful mystery. But their romance is hampered by Carrie's never-ending personal problems. She seeks solace in her close friendships, but she's increasingly troubled by the burden Dan has left her with.

After Dan's story is resurrected in the news headlines, some distressing secrets from the past are revealed and Carrie is taunted by someone with a serious grudge. But are the secrets true? And will she discover who's behind the malicious acts and why?

*The Husband Who Refused to Die* will appeal to those who enjoy contemporary novels about love, loss, family and friendships.

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