

TIDES OF REMEMBRANCE

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Synopsis

On her fortieth wedding anniversary, sixty-five-year-old widow Eleanor Hughes boards a Caribbean cruise, not for the destination, but to remember. At sunrise, she prepares to fulfill a promise she made to herself if her beloved husband ever died before she did.

Her journey began more than four decades earlier.

In 1968, eighteen-year-old Eleanor Sinclair leaves her family's Kentucky farm to attend Mount Nebo College, where she meets Richard Hughes, a humble but gifted basketball player who quickly captures her heart. As their friendship grows into love, Eleanor and Richard begin dreaming of a future together. But when illness strikes Eleanor's family, she must choose between the independence she discovered at college and the people who need her at home.

Meanwhile, Eleanor's pregnant college roommate, Ann Harmon, finds herself rejected by her own family. Eleanor invites her to Sinclair Farm, where an unexpected collection of people discovers that family is sometimes defined not only by blood but also by acceptance, forgiveness, and faith.

As the years pass, Eleanor and Richard build a marriage and family while Sinclair Farm becomes home to new generations. Their daughter, Kate, however, longs for something beyond rural Kentucky. Ambitious and independent, she eventually pursues the successful life she has always imagined, only to discover that achieving a dream does not guarantee happiness.

Across more than forty years, the Sinclair family experiences love and marriage, births and deaths, success, disappointment, and homecoming. Through it all, Eleanor discovers that the people we love leave memories that neither distance nor time can erase.

Now staring at the open ocean, Eleanor calls out to Richard as she struggles to climb the ship's railing, knowing her decision will be final and irreversible.

Tides of Remembrance is a multigenerational family saga about enduring love, faith, forgiveness, reconciliation, and the memories that bind a family together through every changing tide.