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Running With Ghosts: A Memoir Of Surviving Childhood Cancer

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Informant: *ghost of mother*

Chief Complaint: *Running with ghosts*

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Present Illness: *Running with ghosts*

**RUNNING
WITH
GHOSTS**

**A MEMOIR OF SURVIVING
CHILDHOOD CANCER**

BY
MATT
TULLIS

Past Medical History: *Running with ghosts*

Hospitalizations/Surgery: *Running with ghosts*

Medications: *Running with ghosts*

Diet: *Running with ghosts*

Allergies/Asthma: *Running with ghosts*

Injuries (Fractures, etc.): *Running with ghosts*

Birth History (Pre-natal, Peri-natal): *Running with ghosts*

Developmental History: *Running with ghosts*

Talking: *Running with ghosts*

Dentition: *Running with ghosts*

Toilet Training: *Running with ghosts*



Synopsis

In *Running With Ghosts*, author Matt Tullis reminds us that surviving childhood cancer can be a challenge as formidable as fighting for your life—and more enduring. The eldest of three sons born to a trucker and an office-worker, who lived in the idyllic village of Apple Creek, Ohio, Tullis was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia at age 15. In short order, the sports-mad teenager found himself on the cancer ward of Akron Children's Hospital. One of the lucky ones, he walked out and kept on going. Years later, as a journalist and college professor, Tullis began to wonder about all the friends and caregivers he'd left behind on 4-North. As his curiosity intensified, he decided to seek them out. *Running With Ghosts* is about friendship, loss, triumph, and closure: one man's effort to understand more fully a life shaped by a random mutation in the code of his DNA.

"In his unflinching memoir of sickness and salvation, reporter Matt Tullis tells the story of his coming of age through cancer. With equal parts grace and gravitas, he resurrects the people who helped him survive — but didn't themselves." -- Kim Cross, New York Times best-selling author of *What Stands in a Storm*

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