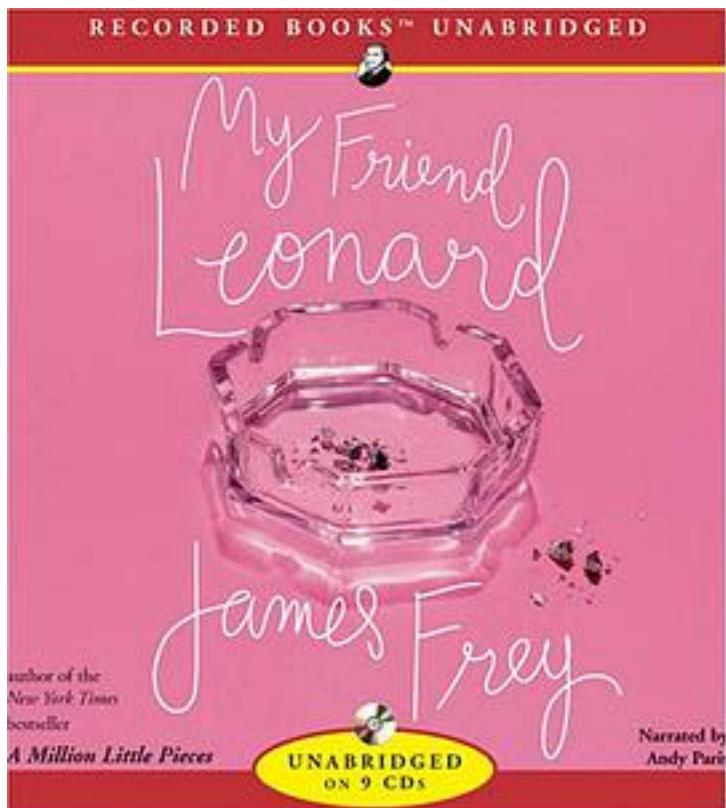


My Friend Leonard



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Perhaps the most unconventional and literally breathtaking father-son story you'll ever read, *My Friend Leonard* pulls you immediately and deeply into a relationship as unusual as it is inspiring.

The father figure is Leonard, the high-living, recovering coke addict "West Coast Director of a large Italian-American finance firm" (read: mobster) who helped to keep James Frey clean in *A Million Little Pieces*. The son is, of course, James, damaged

perhaps beyond repair by years of crack and alcohol addiction-and by more than a few cruel tricks of fate.

James embarks on his post-rehab existence in Chicago emotionally devastated, broke, and afraid to get close to other people. But then Leonard comes back into his life, and everything changes. Leonard offers his "son" lucrative-if illegal and slightly dangerous-employment. He teaches James to enjoy life, sober, for the first time. He instructs him in the art of "living boldly," pushes him to pursue his passion for writing, and provides a watchful and supportive veil of protection under which James can get his life together. Both Leonard's and James's careers flourish . . . but then Leonard vanishes. When the reasons behind his mysterious absence are revealed, the book opens up in unexpected emotional ways.

My Friend Leonard showcases a brilliant and energetic young writer rising to important new challenges-displaying surprising warmth, humor, and maturity-without losing his intensity. This book proves that one of the most provocative literary voices of his generation is also one of the most emphatically human.

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评论

挺好的剧本底子。Leonard一出场我就想到了Gene Hackman老爷子。要是改编成电影他来演特别合适。

"It has overwhelmed her and there is nothing left. Just a shell of pain and morphine. Just a shell of what was once a life."

Mesmerizing. I like this simple and direct writing style, though sometimes lacking depths and profundity. Controversial plots, beautiful ending. We live wildly different lives in this world. "Infinite possibilities, and all he can do is whine."

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