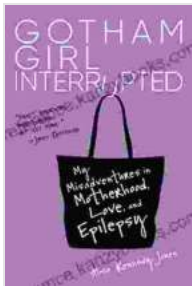


My Misadventures In Motherhood: Love, Loss, And The Unbreakable Bond of Family

An Excerpt

I never thought I would be a mother. I was diagnosed with epilepsy when I was 12 years old, and I was told that I would never be able to have children. But then, at the age of 30, I met the love of my life. We got married, and two years later, I was pregnant with our first child.



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My pregnancy was a rollercoaster of emotions. I was so excited to be having a baby, but I was also terrified. I was afraid of what would happen if I had a seizure while I was pregnant. I was afraid of what would happen to my baby if I had a seizure while I was giving birth.

But I was also determined to have a healthy pregnancy and a healthy baby. I worked closely with my doctors, and I followed all of their instructions. I

took my medication on time, and I avoided anything that could trigger a seizure.

On July 12, 2016, I gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. We named her Ava. She was perfect in every way.

But our joy was short-lived. When Ava was just 10 days old, I had a seizure. I was holding her in my arms when it happened. I fell to the ground, and Ava flew out of my arms. She landed on her head, and she started to cry.

I was terrified. I thought I had killed my baby.

But Ava was okay. She had a small bump on her head, but she was otherwise unharmed.

I was so relieved, but I was also scared. I knew that I couldn't keep having seizures if I wanted to be a good mother to Ava.

I started seeing a new neurologist, and he put me on a new medication. The new medication worked well, and I didn't have any more seizures for the next two years.

But then, in 2018, I had another seizure. I was driving home from work when it happened. I lost control of my car, and I crashed into a tree.

I was seriously injured in the crash. I had a broken leg, a broken arm, and a concussion.

But I was also pregnant with our second child.

I was terrified. I didn't know if I would be able to survive my injuries. I didn't know if my baby would be okay.

But I was determined to fight. I fought for my life, and I fought for my baby.

I spent the next few months in the hospital. I had surgery on my leg and my arm. I had physical therapy and occupational therapy.

But through it all, I never gave up hope.

On December 12, 2018, I gave birth to a healthy baby boy. We named him Ethan.

Ethan is now a happy and healthy two-year-old. Ava is a beautiful and brilliant four-year-old.

I am so grateful for my children. They are my everything.

I am also grateful for my husband. He has been by my side through it all. He has been my rock, my support, and my biggest cheerleader.

I am not going to lie. Motherhood is hard. It is especially hard when you have epilepsy.

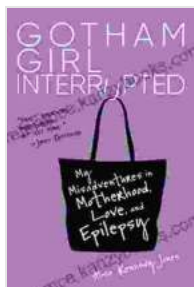
But it is also the most rewarding thing in the world.

I am so grateful for the opportunity to be a mother. I am so grateful for my family.

I am living proof that anything is possible, even if you have epilepsy.

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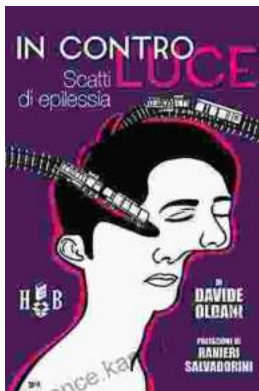
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