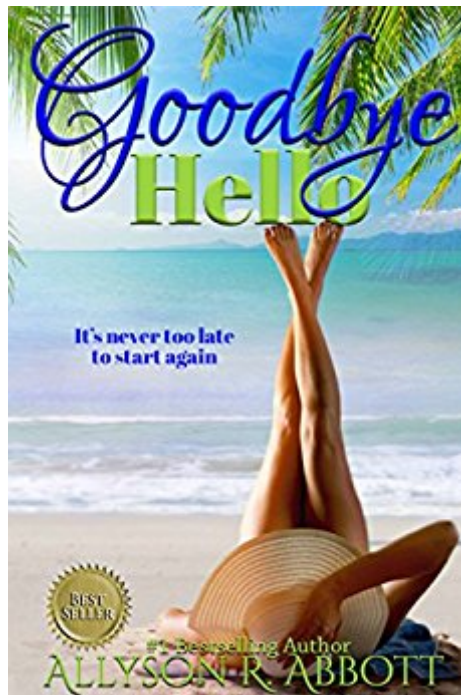




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# Goodbye, Hello: It's Never Too Late To Start Again.



## Synopsis

5 Star Seal Readers' Favorite Winner #1 Bestselling Book by International bestselling British Author Goodbye, Hello; It's never Too Late to Start Again Linda has a chance of a new life; and boy is she going to take it. After realizing she has lived her life being what everyone else wanted her to be, Linda knows she needs to change. Using her deceased husband's pension and insurance money, she heads to Fiji, to find herself and bumps into a very nice distraction. Funny, witty and inspirational to all women who need that encouragement to be themselves. What the readers say: 5 Star "I highly suggest this novella for anyone who wants a little inspiration. Following Linda on her journey made me feel like I'm capable of doing it myself if I ever need to. I laughed with her, I cried with her, and I felt like I should reflect on my own life with her. It was a very touching read, and it isn't long at all. It'll fly by, but it's worth every second." Alex, Sept 2015 "The story is not just about romance but of finding yourself in the murkiness of your own life. It is not easy to break old habits. The author does an excellent job of writing Linda's struggles as she transforms into a new person. I'm glad the author slowly developed Linda's many stages of grief. She goes through anger, guilt, denial and a sense of loss in a mature way. The emotions were raw and exposed a side that many of us go through when facing new challenges. The book is a short read, but it is packed with laughter, tears and gives the readers a look at life and what their purpose may be." Deanna, Sept 2015

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## Customer Reviews

This sweet story really speaks to a lot of women who are starting their life anew later in life. Linda has been married for 35 years to a man who is emotionally abusive and almost kills her spirit. Almost. It takes her 18 months after he dies to gain the strength to become her own woman again. An idyllic trip to Fiji and a romance with an aging horseback riding instructor shows her that life is still very much worth living. Very well written, funny, and inspiring.

I enjoy her books - relevant; life affirming; "there's always hope" kind of book!

The only complaint I have is that it wasn't long enough

I'll be honest; I was pleasantly surprised by Goodbye, Hello. It's a great new coming of age novella that just about anyone can relate to. I think the themes and plot of this story are the reason I liked it so much. Even though I'm not the same age as Linda, her story is just so relatable. She realizes that she is unhappy with her life and has been for a while. Her deceased husband is still controlling her life, which depresses her and enforces just how unhappy she is. Realizing it's not too late, she vows to make and follow through with her own plans for her future. Through her journey, she learns who she actually is, what she stands for, and what she wants her life to be. She doesn't just wake up a new woman, which shows the struggle that many people go through. Wanting a new life is different from actually creating a new one. Changing takes time for everyone, just as it does for Linda. She's bitter and grieving, and it takes her some time to let go of her past. The realistic portrayal of human emotions as life goes by really grabbed my attention. I also really liked this story because the writing was engaging, easy to follow, and filled with humor. I really wanted to see Linda succeed on her journey to self-actualization, and I felt myself empathizing with her

because I know what it's like to question who you are and feel that there must be a greater meaning to everything. The honesty in this novella is very touching and heartfelt and made me feel like I was a part of something greater than myself. I highly suggest this novella for anyone who wants a little inspiration. Following Linda on her journey made me feel like I'm capable of doing it myself if I ever need to. I laughed with her, I cried with her, and I felt like I should reflect on my own life with her. It was a very touching read, and it isn't long at all. It'll fly by, but it's worth every second.

Goodbye, Hello is a romance but then again it isn't a romance. It is a tale of breaking free of the bonds that hold a woman in an unhappy existence and learning to be true to her feelings, wants, and needs. Of embracing life and living it on her terms with no regrets. Yes, there is also a sexy man and romance, too. Linda is a 54 year old widow whose marriage appeared to be happy to outsiders but, in reality, was far from happy. Eighteen months after Martin's death, he is still controlling her life. Until she has an awakening and realizes how different she is now compared to what she was before Martin. Determined to make her life her own, she starts making plans for the future. Linda goes to Fiji where she meets Shaan and learns how a gentleman treats a lady. Passions she had never experienced came to life. However, life has a way of intruding into our happiness and Linda is forced to go home sooner than expected. Linda doesn't change overnight. She struggles with her new reality because habits of 35 years are hard to break. I liked that aspect because it is realistic. I loved the humor in the story. I do wish Linda had gotten a grip on her bitchy side sooner but I can understand where it came from. I definitely recommend Goodbye, Hello. It is entertaining and flows nicely. I think Allyson Abbott could write a series of books about Linda's adventures.

A beautifully written coming of age story which highlights that it is never too late to start over, never feel stuck in a situation due to fear of the unknown. This story is engaging from the first page, I read it in one sitting. You're drawn into the mindset and emotional battles of Linda, slowly we watch her rebel and become liberated in every way, emotionally, physically with her appearance, personality wise and even sexually. This is an empowering story, and a must read for any women who is in two minds about her future. Seek out your own happiness don't rely on someone else to make it for you is the message I got from this story. I was rooting for Linda all the way and so happy that she found love the second time around, or at least a sense of what love should really feel like once she became unshackled from her monster of her late husband. I have never read anything by this

author before, but I certainly would. Good character development, believable and relate-able story line told in a fast paced nature. You are on a journey with Linda.

Linda realizes that over the years she has changed to be like the woman her deceased husband, Martin, wanted. Her wardrobe and hair style were not the way she use to dress or look and instead heÃfÃ¢Ã ¢ ¢ ¢d changed her into a mini version of his mother. A woman who treated her badly. And she tells her husbandÃfÃ¢Ã ¢ ¢ ¢s ashes thatÃfÃ¢Ã ¢ ¢ ¢s sheÃfÃ¢Ã ¢ ¢ ¢s going to make some changes. The first thing on her to do list is a trip to Fiji.I can relate well to Linda. I love her journey of self-discovery. She learns to open up, accept compliments and get rid of the chip she has on her shoulder. This novella is witty, and flows well. I laughed out loud in parts of the story. But the tale is not only funny itÃfÃ¢Ã ¢ ¢ ¢s heartwarming. I highly recommend Goodbye, Hello.

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