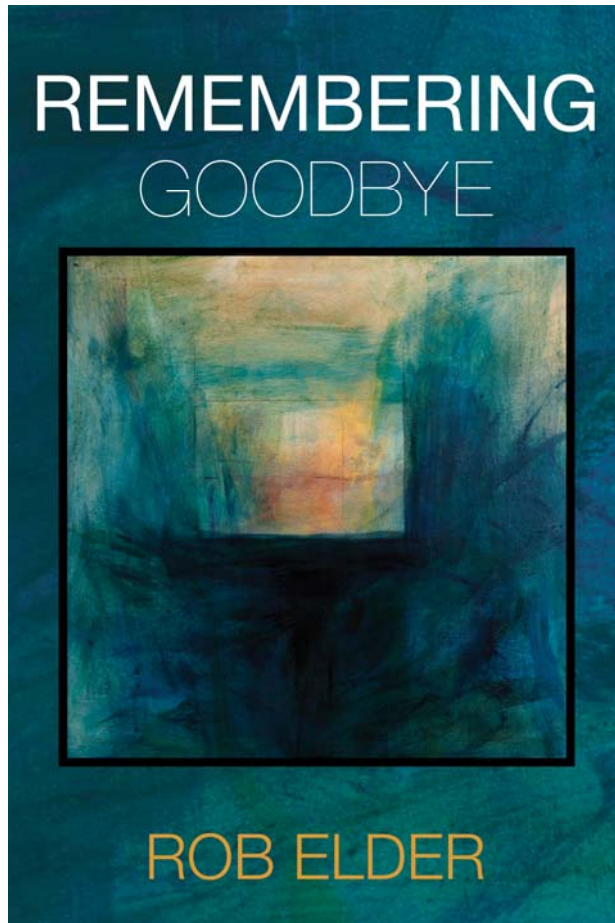


FEATURED AUTHOR

Rob Elder, author of
Remembering Goodbye



About the Book

Through inspirational poems and enlightening quotes, this honest and extraordinary book, *Remembering Goodbye* follows the beginning to end journey of a son understanding and accepting his father's struggle with Alzheimer's disease. The poems will serve as a support and comfort to the victims of this devastating illness and to those who are caring for a loved one in that passage. It genuinely chronicles the mad dash to discover and preserve memories from the beginning of Alzheimer's to the inevitable finish. Although this book is about loss and letting go, it points to the possibility of the end of suffering, and the reemergence of emotional wellbeing and freedom.

About the Author

Rob Elder's early poems were first published at Colby College when he was a student there. He has continued to write and read his work around New England and New York. He was honored by the Maine Writers and Publishers Alliance in one of their annual competitions.

Currently, he is the Director of the Maine Department of Transportation's Office of Freight and Business Services responsible for ports, railroads, and heavy trucks. He lives in Brunswick, Maine with his wife Betsy. They have three children.

Mr. Elder was a Hospice Volunteer with Brunswick Volunteer Center for Grief and Loss and also served on the Board of the C. G. Jung Center of Brunswick for a number of years.

This book is a result of all these experiences. It is his second book of poetry.

Testimonials

"This book is not only a powerful portrait of the journey of being with a loved one who is in the throes of Alzheimer's. It is also a poignant description of an archetypal father-son bond. It may awaken in you an awareness of the preciousness of all your relationships."

—Tom Reif, PhD Psychologist

"There are no veils around these poems. Their lyric openness sounds a symphony of grief and elation—the father reflected in the son, the son remembering for both of them. This book is a work of tangible love. Elder's compassion and lyrical mastery invite us to immersion in true being."

—Tom O'Leary
poet, translator, author