

ON MY OWN TWO FEET...

From Losing My Legs to Learning the Dance of Life Hardcover

America fell in love with Amy Purdy as the incredible girl with bionic legs who managed to outdance her competitors all the way to the season 18 finale of *Dancing with the Stars* with her partner, Derek Hough.

But viewers were only given a glimpse into her past and how she managed to get there. Now, for the first time, Amy reveals the powerful, moving story of her personal spiritual awakening as a result of a sudden and often fatal blood infection that caused her to lose both of her legs.

When the Las Vegas native was just nineteen, she contracted the deadly bacterial meningitis

and was given less than a two percent chance of survival. In a near-death experience that Amy has never talked about until now, she saw three beings who told her: "You can come with us, or you can stay. No matter what happens in your life, it's all going to make sense in the end." As she hovered between life and death, Amy knew she had to make a choice. And in that moment, she chose life.

In *On My Own Two Feet*, Amy takes readers inside her childhood and up to the defining life or death moment. Despite the grim prognosis, she was determined to not just beat the odds and walk again but to create a life filled with bold adventures, big dreams, and boundless vitality - - and share that spirit with the world. Amy seized her second chance at life and earned a bronze medal in snowboarding at the 2014 Paralympic games. Her life is a testament to the resilience of the human spirit and the capacity we all have to defy expectations and rewrite our stories. Amy's poignant, uplifting memoir reminds us to live life to the fullest, because we are all much more capable than we could ever imagine.

Amy Purdy is the top ranked female adaptive snowboarder in the U.S. A 3-time World Cup para-snowboard gold medalist, the 2014 Paralympic bronze medalist and the founder of *Adaptive Action Sports*, a non-profit organization that helps all with physical disabilities get involved with action sports. She is also a motivational speaker, actress, model, dancer and clothing designer.

