## <u>Dream new dreams book review</u>

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Pain, heartache, loss, love, and dreaming of life after death. Jai knows it hurts when things don't work out, just like her first marriage, that was a big fail. And after that she was cynical about marriage and she was afraid to lose something, or someone else. And then she met the funny, goofy, loving, down to earth guy, who showed her a new world and change her life forever his name was Randy Pausch. And he made her feel like she was someone, he made her feel like she was important. And she married him and had 3 beautiful kids. But that's not where the story ends. It's only where it begins.

Jai had a wonderful life after she married Randy, there life was almost perfect, it would be perfect, if only there was a cure, if only there were a way that they could be together forever, if only there was a way for Randy to conquer Pancreatic cancer. Jai wrote dream new dreams so that she could express to the world how it was so hard for her, for her family, for Randy, the cancer was. Randy died from the cancer and it was hard for her to deal with it. And so she wrote this book so she could share with the world there story. The book is her life story, starting with her and Randy leading up to all her kids, and then to his death, she went on even writing about how hard it was after his death. I feel that I can relate to the book a lot more than everyone else can, I wasn't in the same position as Jai. But I know what it's like to lose someone I know how much it hurts. My sister died from Brain cancer, and so I can relate to so many other books, that I have read, because of her and everything that she went through I want to find out more about cancer in general. A really good book that relates to *Dream new Dreams* is called *The last lecture*, and that is actually written by Randy, it was on his very last lecture that he wrote. The book is Nonfiction, because it is about her life but you could say that it was science fiction to because it has a lot of the science aspect in it with all the medicine and Doctors and medical terms. There wasn't a lot of sourced in the book because most of it is what she learned, over the year, but the ones in there are very well documented she knew what she was doing, and she had a friend working in a scientific field helping her write it.

Dream new dreams was such a good book. She named the book that because while her dreams came to a halt and some shattered Jai still has the memories, she need to start dreaming new dreams but always keeping him in her life. Jai states "When randy presented me with my birthday cake in front of four hundred people during his last lecture the last amazing act of love my husband would ever show me." His love for her was so strong and so true it was remarkable. When he brought her out a cake and

sang to her even though her birthday wasn't for a month but he knew he was dying and wanted to do something for her, that she would remember forever. Her writing is very strong and I feel that if you can relate to the book then you can really understand it and make a connection. *Dream new dreams* is one of the most loving and beautiful books I have ever read.