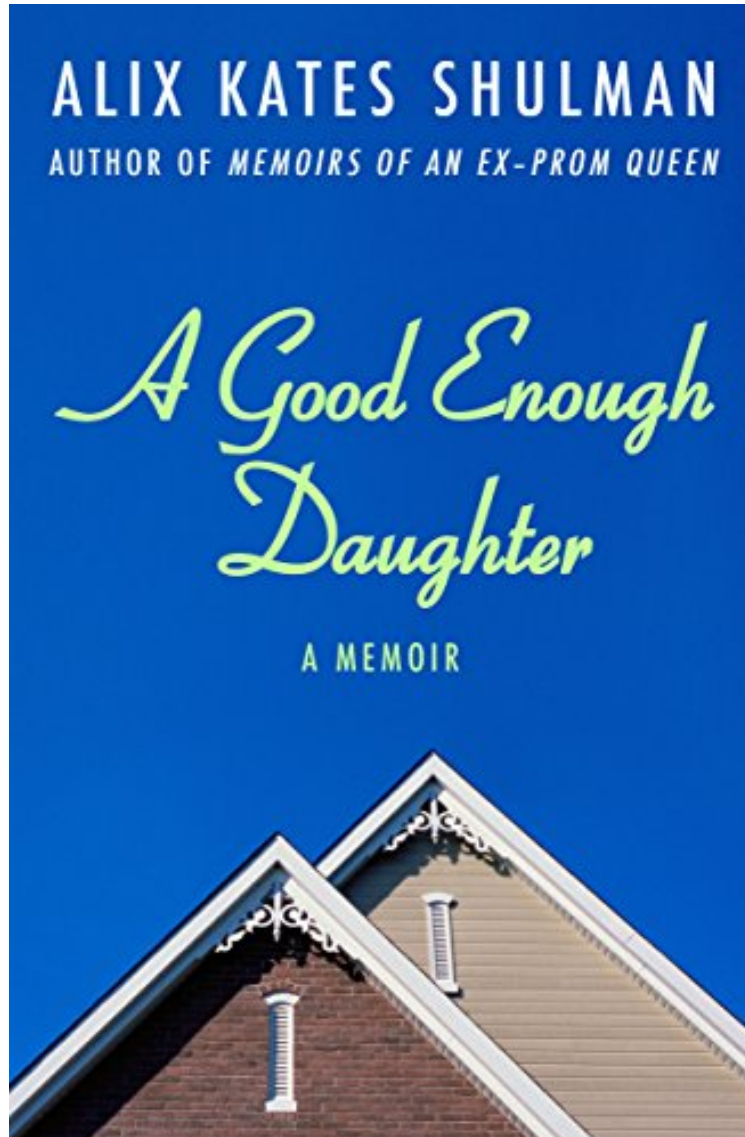


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Von Alix Shulman : A Good Enough Daughter: A Memoir (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised A Good Enough Daughter: A Memoir (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Tender account of a life with exceptional parents.Von Ein KundeThis relatively short (254 pages) memoir is outstanding in the way Shulman reviews her life and learns more about those of her parents as she cleans out the home they lived in for forty years (after moving both of them to an assisted-living facility) in the prosperous suburb of Shaker Heights,

Ohio. She finds old letters she has written to her parents and they have written to each other. She re-explores the rooms and furnishings of the house she grew up in, couldn't wait to leave after high school graduation, and finally returns to. So well does she describe her parents that by the end of the book, following both their deaths at the retirement home, I was weeping myself, and missing her sensuous, vivacious mother, and matter-of-fact, judicious, loving father. The weakness of the book is that her relationship with her brother (actually a cousin her parents adopted after his mother died following childbirth) is very poorly described. We are told they have not had a close relationship as adults, but, aside from one episode of friction the author relates, we do not know why. When her brother dies of lung cancer, she regrets their distant relationship, but does not seem to have done much to nurture a better one while he was living. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Okay to Read When There's Nothing Else to Do Von Tessa Stephens I bought this book because of a review I read in "Bust" magazine, but I must say this book isn't really worth reading. I thought I might get something useful and insightful out of it since I just turned 18 and will be moving out of the house soon. Boy was I wrong. The entire story is about a woman who reviews her childhood and her parents. The only interesting thing is how she progresses from seeing her parents as just that--parents, designed to keep her caged in, to seeing them as real people with real desires, people who don't always get along and see eye to eye. I'd have to say, don't buy this book unless you're desperate.

Kurzbeschreibung An honest, unflinching reflection on the meaning of family, from the author of the bestselling novel *Memoirs of an Ex-Prom Queen*