You Don’t Have to Say You Love Me: A Memoir by Sherman Alexie

With poetry and prose, Alexie lays bare his complicated feelings about his “wildly intelligent, arrogant, opinionated, intimidating” mother’s life and death, weaving a tapestry of memories both harrowing and hilarious. His complex exploration of grief and reconciliation leaves no question unasked, no cruelty unexposed, and no pain hidden—a conflicted son mourning an imperfect mother.

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