

## ***Dancing at the Pity Party: a dead mom graphic memoir***

By Tyler Feder

Okay -you might be thinking this is a really morbid book review.

It really isn't. This graphic novel memoir is Tyler Feder's story of losing her mother to cancer soon after her first year of college. It's a funny, poignant, and eye-opening look at what someone might be feeling in that situation, and frankly, at any age. It seems that most of us who have lost parents or others close to us have had the same types of experiences and can relate. If the reader hasn't had that experience up to this point, it's a close-up view of the mix of feelings that might be surprising.

"We all gathered back at our house, which was so quiet except for our grouchy-sweet cat, who almost comically didn't know or didn't care what was going on."

"The to-do list was looong:

### Post-Death/Pre-Funeral To-Do List

- Call the funeral director
- Gather black clothes
- Organize shiva
- Write obituary
- Remember to breathe"

Despite the title I think you'll enjoy this open, funny, touching and frank sharing of real feelings in a real-life situation.