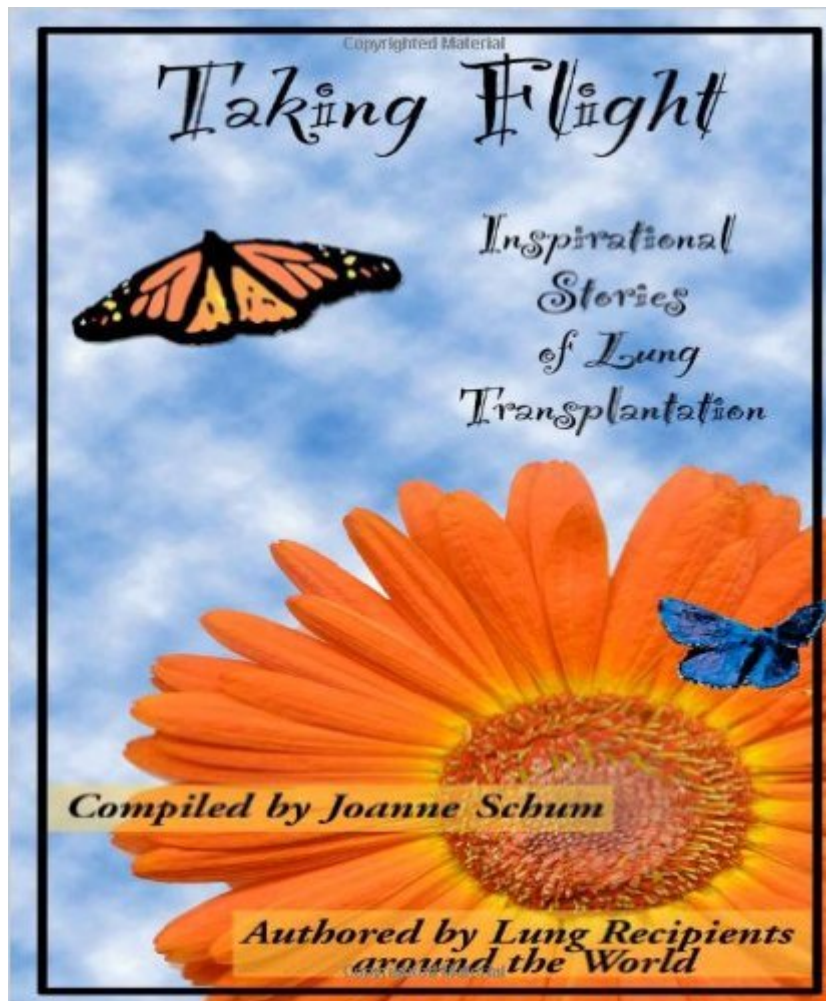


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# Taking Flight: Inspirational Stories Of Lung Transplantation



## **Synopsis**

Lung Transplantation is still relatively new compared to other transplantation surgery. The first successful heart/lung transplant took place in 1981, with the first successful single lung transplant taking place in 1983. It was not until 1986 the first successful double lung transplant takes place. Even more recent is the living lobar transplant which the first successful one being in 1990. The survival rate continues to rise with the introduction of new surgery techniques, drug therapies and physical therapy. Often those given the option to have a lung transplant, have no place to turn and learn about the success and accomplishments of those receiving a single lung, double lung, or heart/lung transplant. It can become overwhelming being in the process of lung transplant and not hearing how the majority of people do afterward. Well the majority are out living very full lives. These lives include, school, play, marriage, adventure, sports, careers, travel, volunteering, retirement and enjoying life and breathing. Family life is enhanced and new exciting opportunities open many eyes. But where can you read about this new beginning, new life, new breath you are given? Well, until now, there was no place. So that has changed with this book. Taking Flight is a collection of stories from around the world, from recipients of all ages, all lung illnesses and what these recipients are now doing in their lives. Taking Flight is an opportunity to see that organ donation does work and that lives return to normal after surgery. Taking Flight can inspire those who pre transplant to see what they may be able to accomplish one day. It will bring to light that this is a great option for someone with end stage lung illness and your dreams are possible. For someone who has had a lung transplant, it is an inspiration to see others doing many of things you are now accomplishing yourself. An affirmation of sorts. The butterfly theme is a symbol to those who have had a lung transplant and experienced the life within them and around them opening up and taking off. Many of these stories tell of a life long lung condition that did not allow them to take off into life like so many others do. But now they can and they take every opportunity that is given to them to go out and experience life. It shows that the very young are able to run, play, go to school, and do the things they dreamed of. It allows young people to pursue their dreams of a career, or marriage and finally making that much desired pursuit of a goal, a reality. For those who are retired, it allows them to spend time with family, friends, travel and become active once again. Taking Flight is a starting point for those who are, considering lung transplant, or have had a lung transplant. From here you will soar and surprise, grow and learn, experience and share, while you breathe and spread your wings and fly.

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## Customer Reviews

If you, or someone you know, is in the process of waiting for a lung transplant, this book is a must read! It will truly help you keep your sanity during a very frightening time. The stories are honest, from the heart, real life experiences. I've re-read this book a couple of times and it still fills me with hope every time.

This is a fabulous book. A very inspirational read for anyone considering a lung transplant. The stories are all from personal experiences of transplant survivors of all ages and from around the globe. I absolutely love this book and I still read it daily!!!!

I have an 18-year old son that is looking at a double lung transplant....The real life stories provided a lot of insight & inspiration from people that have been thru this procedure. Great Book.

A lot of stories of people dealing with lung transplants. All ages, everyday people, most good results. Looks like written about 2001. I have learned a bunch of information and feeling of them.

Someone gave me this book while I was waiting for my double lung transplant eight years ago. I read and reread the stories of all the successful transplants. What an inspiration it was to me, so much so I just bought a copy of the book for two people I know that are waiting for lung transplants.

For anyone facing a transplant or if you know anyone facing a transplant this is a great book! It will put hope back into your life!

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Great Read!!!!

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