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Roby deals with many issues of family life, including birth order, sibling rivalry, domestic abuse, incest, and the emotional toil of caring for a sick parent. Three siblings, Sydney, Gina, and Rick, have always been a close-knit family. Sydney, the eldest, is the responsible, dutiful daughter, mother, and wife. Gina, the overburdened and misunderstood middle child, is the proud one. Rick, the youngest, is forever searching and very needy. They each find themselves challenged by insecurities and unspoken pain when their mother, Delores, becomes seriously ill. The burden of providing care for her surfaces buried emotions and forces resolution of real dangers. The sibling rivalries even during this stressful time cause them to question their relationships with one another and their mother's choices about her health care. Yet, somehow, even in the face of emotional situations and stark revelations, the sisters come together to support and provide the love and closeness that their mother raised them to share. Included here are book discussion questions and hotline numbers for domestic abuse, incest victims, and family caregivers. *Lillian Lewis*  
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### Review

"Kimberla Roby is a true writer, a storyteller at the top of her game."

### About the Author

Kimberla Lawson Roby is author of the nationally acclaimed novels CASTING THE FIRST STONE, HERE AND NOW, and BEHIND CLOSED DOORS. She lives in Rockford, Illinois with her husband, Will.

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