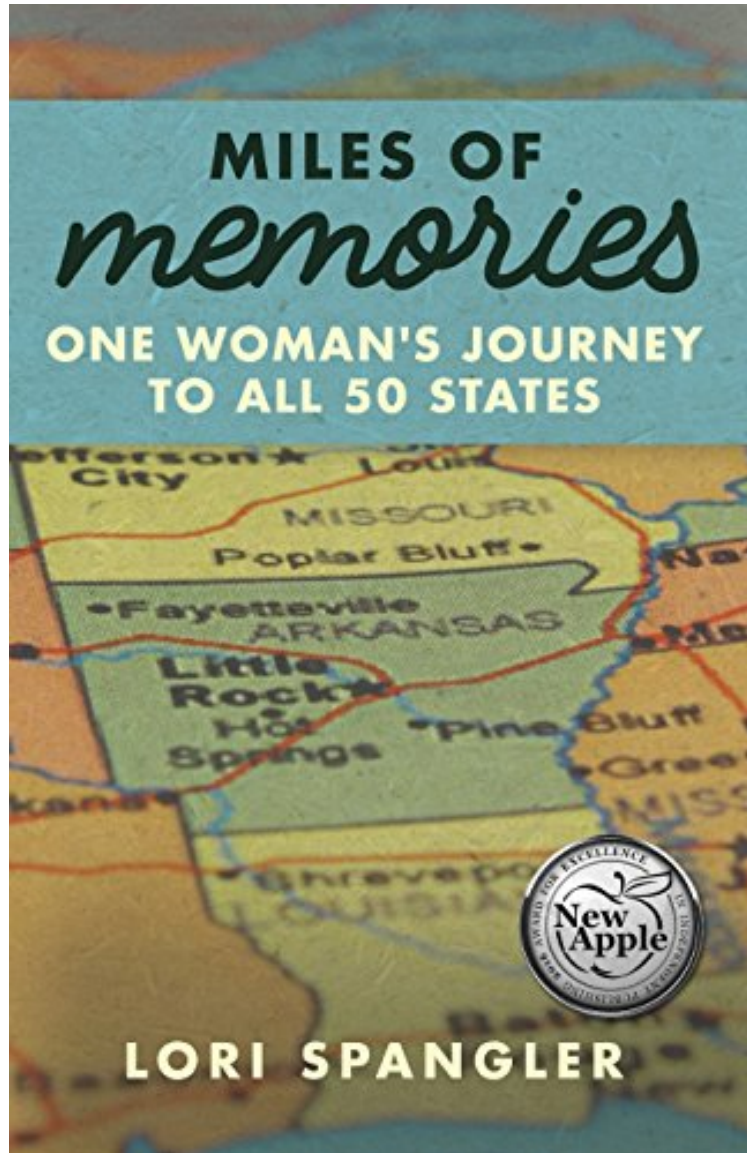


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Lori Spangler : Miles of Memories: One Woman's Journey to All 50 States before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Miles of Memories: One Woman's Journey to All 50 States:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Engaging read
By A. Lovhaug
I confess I'm not much of a traveler - it always seems uncomfortable and tedious. But reading Miles of Memories has inspired me to get out more! The book covers the author's experiences as she progresses along her goal to visit all 50 states. Not every experience goes perfectly, but of course what would be the fun in that? The format the author has selected - following her travels

chronologically, adding a "learning" at the end of each chapter - works well for this book. One of my favorite parts of the book is the beginning. The author shares her upbringing in rural Minnesota, which really helps the reader to appreciate why travel becomes an important part of the author's life. I grew up in the city, but I found this part very compelling. Also the author was clearly assisted in compiling her memories by her ability to refer to her journals during her travels. What a great, practical use for journaling that I hadn't considered - you might want to remember some of those details for your next book!

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Absolutely delightful! By RJI thoroughly enjoyed this collection of stories about Lori's travels. Lori's Learning at the end of each chapter was a particular favorite we should all be thinking about the lessons we can learn from our travels and our daily lives. I love hearing people's stories, and Lori's are especially interesting because of her wit and insight. I was impressed by many things in this book, including how a young woman from a very small town had the gumption and financial savvy to travel alone. I found several things touching and humorous about Lori's childhood. Lori couldn't believe it when she was told that some kids in the city had never been on a farm I was one of those kids! Additionally, despite growing on a farm, Lori wasn't clear on how babies were created and born as evidenced by her surprise at a new nephew one Christmas. In reading this book, I felt like I experienced some of Lori's travels right along with her. I sure wish I could have. I highly recommend this book to anyone who enjoys non-fiction, travel and biographies. You won't be disappointed.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Read this book if you enjoy going along for the ride and reading details that ... By Sandra Small town farm girl meets the United States of America! Read this book if you enjoy going along for the ride and reading details that only a traveler can write. Informative, amusing, quirky, warm, heart breaking and a sweet window into the author's personality and her parents' influence. Good thing Lori traveled alone - I don't know who could keep up with her insatiable curiosity and sense of wonder. My 80 year old parents read it, I read it and now my 11 year old is half-way into it and loving it. This book inspired him to count the states he's been to and wonder when he might travel all of them. We are ready for your next book Lori!

Growing up in rural Minnesota, "going on a trip" in Lori Spangler's childhood meant traveling twenty miles to her grandparents' house. As she grew older and ventured out of the "Land of 10,000 Lakes," Lori discovered her love of travel. From Hawaii to Maine, Lori has crossed the border of every state. Her debut book, *Miles of Memories: One Woman's Journey to All 50 States*, not only takes readers on a unique road trip, it validates that anyone can do anything they set their mind to. Following her travels from state to state in *Miles of Memories*, Lori includes fun tidbits she learned on her journey to join the All Fifty States Club. Each chapter ends with "Lori's Learning," where she includes words of wisdom she gleaned from her travels. Having set her own personal goal and succeeded, Lori has advice for others looking to add traveling to all 50 states to their bucket list: do it! Lori encourages readers to have fun and enjoy everything they experience - flat tires and smelly fish included.