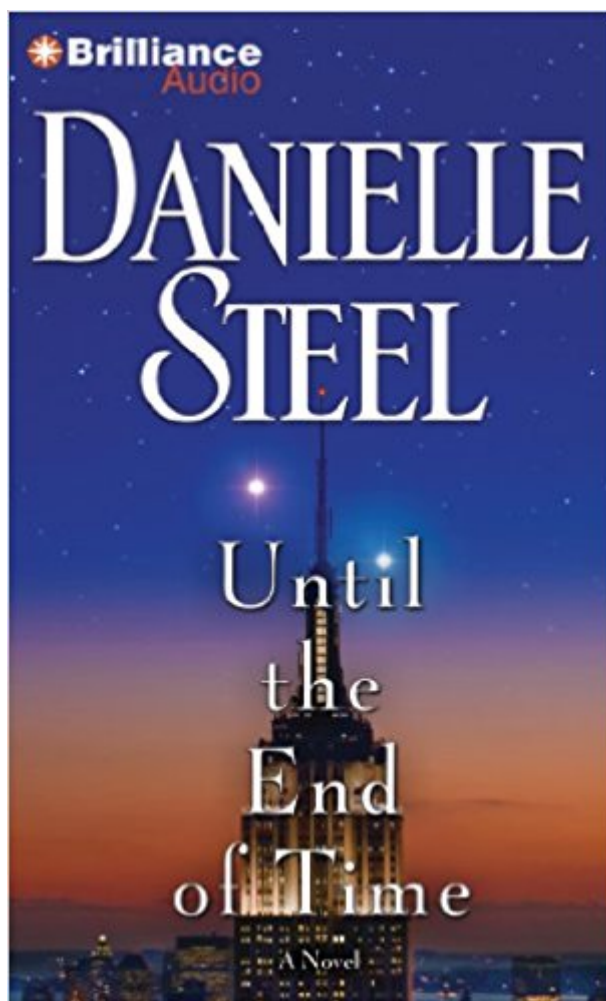




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# Until The End Of Time: A Novel



## Synopsis

Bill is a dedicated young lawyer working at his family's prestigious New York firm, who leaves everything he trained for to follow his dream and become a minister in rural Wyoming. Jenny, his wife, is a stylist whose heart and soul are invested in fashion. She leaves the milieu and life she loves to join him. The certainty they share is that their destinies are linked forever. Fast forward thirty-eight years. Robert is a hardworking independent book publisher in Manhattan, who has given up all personal life to build his struggling business. He is looking for one big hit novel to publish. Lillibet is a young Amish woman, living as though in the seventeenth century, caring for her widowed father and three young brothers on their family farm. In secret at night, by candlelight, she has written the novel that burns within her, and gets it into Robert's hands, wrapped in her hand-stitched apron. He falls in love first with the book, and then with the woman he has never met, living in the sequestered world of the Amish—a world without telephones, computers, electricity, modern conveniences, or cars. Although Lillibet faces banishment from her family and community, she embraces the opportunity to publish her novel, and is irresistibly drawn to the man who has heard her voice. Destiny is at work here. Fate draws her from her horse-and-buggy life toward his, and the publication of her novel. In the hands of master storyteller Danielle Steel, these two remarkable relationships come together in unexpected and surprising ways, as lovers are lost, and find each other again. If it is true that real love lasts forever and lovers cannot lose each other, then Until the End of Time will not only comfort and fascinate us, as destiny does her dance, but it will give us hope as well. Love and fate are powerful, irresistible forces, as Steel proves to us here, in a book about courage, change, risk, and hope...and love that never dies.

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## Customer Reviews

Steelâ€™s two-part story of reincarnation and everlasting love will satisfy fans of gentle romance and womenâ€™s fiction. In the 1970s, famous fashion-show producer Jenny falls in love with lawyer Bill, and they marry, despite his familyâ€™s objections. Bill decides to attend divinity school, and they end up living in Wyoming after a church offers Bill a position. There tragedy strikes. In the second story, Amish Elizabeth takes care of her widowed father and brothers while secretly writing a book at night. Bob is an independent publisher looking for a winning read. They fall in love and struggle to be respectful of her father and Amish traditions while seeking to publish the book and be together. Could it be that Elizabeth and Bob are Jenny and Bill come back to life for a happier ending? This gentle, inspirational story is very different from Steelâ€™s usual style, but her loyal readers will enjoy it just the same, as will anyone looking for a clever and sweetly dramatic romance. --Amy Alessio --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Danielle Steel has been hailed as one of the worldâ€™s most popular authors, with over 600 million copies of her novels sold. Her many international bestsellers include *The Sins of the Mothers*, *Friends Forever*, *Betrayal*, *Hotel Vendôme*, *Happy Birthday*, *44 Charles Street*, and other highly acclaimed novels. She is also the author of *His Bright Light*, the story of her son Nick Trainaâ€™s life and death, and the memoir of her work with the homeless, *A Gift of Hope*.

My impression of the romance genre before I read this book was pretty bad: romance novels made me think of desperate, middle-aged housewives who lacked control of their emotions, and liked fantasizing about a fairytale romance that's simply unrealistic. After reading this book, I realize how condescending, arrogant, and unfounded my harsh opinion was. The point or cheesy romance novels is the same as cheesy action and sci-fi. It's meant to be entertaining and not necessarily realistic. Why three stars? This certainly isn't the best book I've ever read. It isn't Hemingway, Nobokov, etc. The language is very plain and kind of mundane. It isn't an intellectually stimulating read. Also, as one might expect from the romance genre, there's a bit of cheesiness, lots of cliches, and quite a lot of predictability. Although I realize that romance novels aren't necessarily supposed to be grand works of art, I definitely think this book could be better. It has its shortfalls. However, for every corny scene where I kind of chuckled or rolled my eyes, there was another scene that had me slightly on edge, and a bit sad. I was initially bored by the book, but once I got into it, I got hooked

and wanted to finish it. Is romance corny? Yes. Is it cliché? Yes. But if you focus on the implausibility of the story and the cheesy aspect, you're barking up the wrong tree. The point is, you get into the story and you start sympathizing with the characters. And honestly, this book does a fair job of that. I was actually fairly impressed by how this book sucks you in. It's nothing spectacular, but it's a cute story, and fantasy or not, it's entertaining. For that I give the author credit. Thus, I'd have to rate this story as decent, maybe leaning towards good. But there's definitely room for improvement.

Danielle Steel is one of my favorite authors. I have been a fan of hers and read many of her novels over the last 20 years. Suffice it to say, I am hooked. Many of my favorite books are written by her. *Until The End Of Time* is a beautiful beautiful story. Danielle weaves two separate love stories set nearly four decades apart together with a few vital themes and similarities – love, understanding, fate, destiny and hope. In 1975, we meet Bill, a lawyer working in New York. He decides he wants to follow his dream and become a minister. Bill's wife Jenny has worked hard in her career to get to where she is now, but together they leave their old life behind to pursue Bill's dreams, with the knowledge that whatever happens, they are facing it together. In the present day, Lillibet lives in a strict Amish community, but she has ambitions and dreams of one day being a writer, composing her novel by candlelight at night. Robert is a hard-working man, on the hunt for one big hit novel to publish. When Lillibet's work falls into his hands, he discovers not only a great book, but a new person to connect with – I absolutely loved *Until The End Of Time*! The characters were wonderfully written, as I progressed throughout the story I really felt as if I knew them on a personal level. What I loved most about the story is how special the relationships between the main characters were. Danielle did show sadness and pain in the story, but she also showed so much love and strong connections through the characters – everything was so vivid that at times I was openly crying over the scenes, and at other times I was smiling with happiness. There is such a range of emotions portrayed in this wonderful book that you can't help but be touched by the words. I would thoroughly recommend this! This is truly a very unique, emotional, magical and special book that deserves to be read and re-read all over again. *Until The End Of Time* is an enchanting story about hope, dreams, compassion, dedication, sacrifice, courage, and above all, the message that true love is forever.

This book was interesting the way it brought out similarities between the two couples that bound them as one in two different times of afterlife

This was sweet and sad and a little disappointing at the same time. When I saw the title I expected something different. The story is about two different couples who met and fell in love, somehow their love stories were linked together.. When I thought about the title "Until The End Of Time" , I thought it would be a love story similar to the one my parents have, married for 52 years and one of them dies. One of them in the story gets killed on a horse and the other in a car crash. It was really sad and then when the other couple meets it is under strange circumstances. I really don't think that in the Amish culture that this would be possible. I had read many of the Amish stories by Beverly Lewis and others. I don't think she did her research very well. If you are looking for a light read, read it. If you are looking for a cliffhanger, read some of her others . Sometimes you can tell when Danielle Steel is in a bad relationship by the books she writes. There was a time she wrote about really abusive men, then there were the ones where she didn't stay really on task, as if she were distracted. Every time I read one of her books lately. I want to sharpen my writing skills and try to get my own novel published.

This could have been 2 books. I enjoyed the first part so much that I was very disappointed when both main characters died and then came back in a different life. I would have preferred the first couple continue to live their life with the new adopted baby, a new church and getting involved with their new friends. The first part of the book could have become a sequel. I kind of enjoyed the second part of the reincarnation, however it could have also been a book of its own. I would have liked to learn more about the characters and felt drawn into their relationships and family. I had a hard time feeling drawn into the character's lives because the stories were too short and I found myself wanting to know more about them and feeling short-changed. I always enjoy Danielle Steel's books and will continue to read them.

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