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“Grace Paley is a wonderful writer and troublemaker. We are fortunate to have her in our country.” ?*Donald Barthelme*

“I can't think of another writer who captures the itch of the city, love between parents and children, or the cutting edge of combat, as well.” ?*Lis Harris, The New York Times Book Review*

“Technically, Grace Paley's work makes the novel as a form seem virtually redundant. Each one of her stories has more abundant inner life than most other people's novels . . . Her prose presents a series of miracles of poetic compression.” ?*Angela Carter, London Review of Books*

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About the Author

Grace Paley remains one of America's most revered short story writers. Born in the Bronx, New York, in 1922, Paley established a reputation as a bard of Jewish New York with highly acclaimed collections like *The Little Disturbances of Man* (1959), *Enormous Changes at the Last Minute* (1974), and *Later the Same Day* (1985). *The Collected Stories* (1994) was a finalist for both the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award. She died in Vermont on August 22, 2007.

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