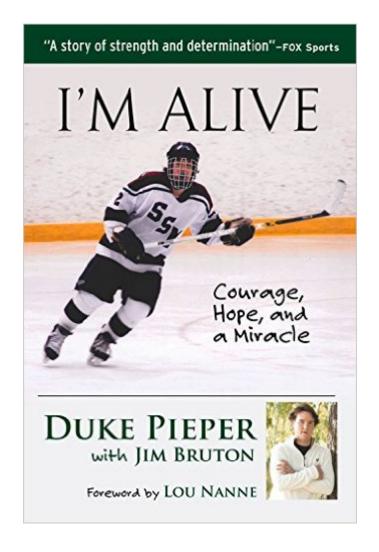
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# I'm Alive: Courage, Hope, And A Miracle





# Synopsis

The personal account of a promising high school hockey player who survived brain surgery and months of rehabilitation, infections, and temporary paralysis An aspiring hockey star at Minnesotaâ <sup>™</sup>s elite Hill-Murray School, 15-year-old Duke Pieper faced a brain surgery with a five percent survival rate. In lâ <sup>™</sup>m Alive: Courage, Hope, and a Miracle, Duke recounts his personal and courageous war against the brain lesion that threatened his life and his fearless battle to restore normalcy to his life. Battling through months of paralysis, multiple surgeries, massive nerve damage, and more, Duke had to relearn how to breathe, swallow, walk, talk, and live again. This inspiring young man shares how his strength and adaptation to his disabilities inspired him to build a platform to assist others who have succumbed to monumental loss. lâ <sup>™</sup>m Alive is a heartwarming, wonderful acclaim to a young man who never gave up, and who has become an iconic inspiration to all who know him.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

I'm Alive: Courage, Hope and a Miracle is a must read that allows all of us to pause and appreciate the little things in life that is taken for granted. Duke Pieper's story of courage illustrates a young man's incredible will to live and patience as he persevere's to learn how to walk, talk, swallow, and even breath on his own. From enduring a months long battle with hallucinations that felt 100% real, Pieper is able to inspire and encourage all of us with his story that he was in a battle for his life and it was worth winning. Duke Pieper won and it is easy to appreciate his personal life battle that he

has lived to tell. It is a read that everyone young and old would benefit from. I know I did.

Inspirational, great book for all ages. Duke Pieper had a great athletic career ahead of him, maybe major league, when afflicted by a "brain bleed" while a teen which meant surgeries, hospital stays, crippling disabilities.. Written in a conversational style from his point of view, with additions from others in his life (coaches, parents, teachers) it shows how someone can come back from a devastating setback (beyond setback-near death, crippling disabilities) and still live life. Book deserves a wide readership.

I'm Alive: Courage, Hope, and a Miracle is an amazing story of a kid who had to overcome a very tough journey in life to get to where he is today. Duke's always positive attitude and his outlook on life is something that will inspire you on a daily basis. I highly recommend the book as it is not only hard to put down once you start reading it, but also because it teaches you to not sweat the little things which will overall lead to a more positive lifestyle.

Truly inspirational! I'm Alive tells the remarkable story of how Duke Pieper overcame adversity, and how he didn't let his injury prevent him from living his life! I feel truly blessed to know Duke personally, and honored to consider him a friend. His story will touch the hearts of anybody who reads it. Very powerful and quite an amazing book!

Duke's story shows how much perseverance and a positive attitude can do. He is a strong soul, and with the support of his family, he deals with the grief and acceptance of how his life is forever changed. It's a good read for all ages and a good reminder to count your blessings each and every day... we're ALIVE!!

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