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*Stuck in the Passing Lane*

By Jed Ringel

**Life After 55 Ain't PG-13...  
A WITTY, WRY AND UNAPOLOGETIC LOOK AT  
LOVE IN THE MIDDLE AGES**

It comes as no surprise to any 55+'er who has ever logged on to Match.com, OK Cupid, Tinder, eHarmony, JDate, and other sites of similar, shall we say, 'function and repute' that dating isn't exactly what it used to be.

"Now, with the push of a button, thousands of eager women march towards you like the army of electronic aliens in the arcade game *Space Invaders*," writes Jed Ringel in his no-holds-barred, searingly funny memoir *Stuck in the Passing Lane* [About Face Press, June 1, 2015]. Which is to say nothing of the agonizing rinse/wash/repeat process that is drafting, checking, editing, re-checking and, finally, *activating* a profile of one's own...

In *Stuck in the Passing Lane* – which reads something like a hyper self-deprecating, uniquely compassionate, AARP set version of Tucker Max's cult classic, *I Hope They Serve Beer In Hell* – Ringel gives readers an all-access pass into the true story of a man using all the 'skills' developed during a largely miserable 21-year marriage to conduct live experiments – and maybe even find love – on a freshly-divorced, hard-beatin' Baby Boomer heart.

Backed by a lively (and often LOL-inducing) chorus of three teenage daughters, Ringel's stories as told in *Stuck in the Passing Lane* span the worlds of Spanish Harlem, Moscow's 'think tank' elite, New York City's Chinese immigrant community, Singapore, and a lonely Montauk farmhouse – culminating in an all-at-once adventure-fueled, intimately personal and heartening tale of lust, love and loss in middle age.

"I'm one of almost 10 million divorced, middle-aged Baby Boomers trying to replace a failed relationship with one with a different chemistry," adds Ringel. "With

stops along the way for a toupee, Alcoholic's Anonymous, being robbed outside Lenin's favorite hotel, a pimping accusation, a life-threatening diagnosis, aging parents, and the death of my rescued Alaskan malamute, Kobi, who saw me through everything, *Stuck in the Passing Lane* charts my journey to create a new user's manual for my life... and to find someone who I'd love to have thumb through it."

**About the Author:**

**Jed Ringel is an Ivy League dropout who's been a failed sculptor, a morally bankrupt Wall Street lawyer, and the founder of an IT company, the sale of which allowed him to retire at 50. A father to three daughters and a mentor to children aging out of the foster care system, he is an avid cook and award-winning gardener. Jed splits his time between Montauk and New York City's Lower East Side – where, along with far-flung locales like Russia and Singapore, many of the events that inspired his debut published memoir, *Stuck in the Passing Lane*, take place.**

*Stuck in the Passing Lane* [About Face Press] is currently available for pre-order, and will be available through Amazon, Barnes & Noble, and in brick-and-mortar bookstores nationwide as of June 1, 2015.

Find Jed on [Goodreads](#) and at <http://jedringel.com/>

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