



## Suggested Reading, Ages 0-6

### Online Resources

[I Miss My Pet](#) workbook/coloring book

#### [Children and Pet Loss](#)

Articles related to the developmental stages associated with the death of a pet. This link also covers questions that children may ask relating to the death of a pet.

### Books

*Dog Heaven* by Cynthia Rylant

A cheerful look at the wonderful place that dogs go to when they die. In Dog Heaven, there are huge fields to run in, tasty biscuits to eat all day long, and fluffy clouds for sleeping.

*Cat Heaven* by Cynthia Rylant

A cheerful look at the wonderful place that cats go to when they die. In Cat Heaven there is an endless supply of catnip, bowls full of milk, and of course, plenty of petting.

*Goodbye Mouse* by Robie H. Harris

A young boy must find a way to come to terms with the death of his pet mouse. Named one of the Best Children's Books by Publishers Weekly.

*Saying Goodbye to Lulu* by Corinne Demas

A young girl must cope with the fact that her beloved pet dog, Lulu, is growing older and weaker. The girl and her family make Lulu's last days as comfortable as possible, but still, the girl is heartbroken when Lulu eventually dies. As the girl works through her grief, she has beautiful memories of Lulu.

*I'll Always Love You* by Hans Wilhelm

The narrator in this book is a young boy who loves Elfie, "the best dog in the whole world". One day Elfie does not wake up. The family grieves and the boy who has always told Elfie how much he loves her finds comfort in that. Anyone who has or had an older dog will be especially touched by this book.