



# NPR Classic Driveway Moments: Radio Stories that Won't Let You Go

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**NPR : NPR Classic Driveway Moments: Radio Stories that Won't Let You Go** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised NPR Classic Driveway Moments: Radio Stories that Won't Let You Go:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. This Collection Is Up and Down By DWD's Reviews This collection is comprised of 13 stories (and one intro track) culled from 31 years of NPR radio stories (1979-2010). Most of these stories have depth but not all are equal. I was profoundly moved by a story called "My So-Called Lungs" featuring a young woman starting college while struggling with cystic fibrosis. It was engrossing on multiple levels and my high school-aged daughter and I were captivated by the woman's honesty, grace and humor in the face of inevitable death. On the other hand, the story "Death of a Child: Losing Adam", featuring a child who was dying from a terminal illness just felt intrusive and maudlin. The interview with George Foreman was interesting and quite enjoyable, although NPR being NPR, they found a way to bring a downer note to it by tying the George Foreman grill into it and interviewing homeless people who used it as a cooking appliance of last resort. The collection ends with a great story, undoubtedly exaggerated, about 2 friends hitch hiking across Nebraska in the 1970s. "Hitching a Ride with Junior McGee" is a great short story told well and is a good way to finish the collection. Note: this collection is up and down, but the strong stories are very, very strong and are worth listening to. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Worth the George Foreman story along By booklover343 Parts of this were wonderful and parts were a bit dull. I was especially touched by the story of George Foreman. He is included because his George Foreman Grill's are often used

by folks who don't have kitchens or the homeless to cook food. The story then goes to Mr. Foreman and he talks about when he was a child, they never had enough to eat. He said some people dream of money or big houses, but he dreamt of having enough to eat. That story alone - and how he turns his life around due to a program for city kids that included three meals a day (he is amazed that they get three meal a day EVERYDAY) - made me thankful for what I have. I finished listening to this a few days ago and have thought about this story many time. I guess that makes it a true "driveway moment." I've giving it four stars instead of five because a few of the stories included were not very good. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Okay stories, but not the driveway moments I experienced on NPR. By D. Kemp Not as good as I expected the stories to be, but one man's driveway moment is another man's lack-luster moment.

Presented together for the first time, here are the very first, and very best, definitive listener favorites that came to be known as Driveway Moments: the classic, spellbinding stories that keep getting better with repeated listening, selected from the National Public Radio archives. These tales were first heard on Morning Edition, All Things Considered, and other NPR programs. Like the unforgettable Amy's Answering Machine, in which comedian and author Amy Borkowsky shares quirky, hilarious messages left by her mother. And My So-Called Lungs, an emotional audio diary by a young girl with cystic fibrosis. And Hitching a Ride with Junior McGhee, in which musician/storyteller Charlie Barnett takes listeners on a hitchhiking adventure across the U.S. Literate, intelligent, mirthful, and moving, these stories are worth repeating and hearing again and again.

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