

The Sound of Silence journeys through miscarriage

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Miscarriage is so common and yet it is an unspeakable subject. Women often grieve alone, mourning a child they have never met but whose future they have already imagined. It is a private, hidden kind of grief.

In *The Sound of Silence* twenty-two women speak out about their experiences of miscarriage. These are stories of loss and loneliness, hope and joy, strength and courage, and, most of all, overwhelming love. They are a reminder to all women who have experienced a miscarriage that they are not alone.

About the Editor



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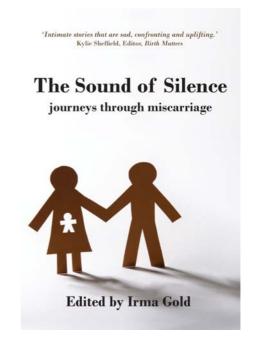
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"Intimate stories that are sad, confronting and uplifting. The Sound of Silence lifts the taboo that has for too long been an unavoidable part of miscarriage. It asks us to acknowledge the significance of these babies we will never see, hear or touch, and the deep and abiding love of the mothers who carried them."

Kylie Sheffield, Editor, Birth Matters, journal

Twenty-two brave women have documented their story of survival after the death of their precious babies. Confronting, authentic and grounded, these stories provide practical help for others who share the loss.

of the National Maternity Coalition

Leanne Raven, CEO, SIDS and Kids Australia

"The Sound of Silence is an open, honest and insightful look into the lives of those affected by miscarriage. Women experience an often silent grief that is not openly acknowledged for the devastating impact it has on families. The Sound of Silence allows us to connect and relate to others' personal journeys, bringing hope and understanding."

Trudi Penrose-Starr, co-founder, TLC Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support Austalia