A Family and Friend's Guide to Sexual Orientation

A Family and Friend's Guide to Sexual Orientation: Bridging the Divide Between Gay and Straight Editor: Alan Ellis and Bob Powers Publisher: ROUTLEDGE ISBN: 041591275X Publishing Date: 1996 Pages: 273 Format: Hardcover

Helps individuals and families to bridge the divide between gay and straight, to heal the wounds that often accompany negative feelings about lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgendered persons. Thirty stories focusing on each individual's life history offer striking insights into the family dynamics relating to the homosexuality of a family member and how families can work together to achieve a place of compassion and acceptance.

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"Power and Ellis' book is a great next step for families and friends in various stages of coming to terms with a lvoed one being out. A Family and Freind's Guide to Sexual Orientation is rich in emotional depth....The book seems to ofer something for everyone, whether dealing with these issues in personal or professional life, from a spiritual place or some other perspective."

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