



# What's Left of Us

By Richard Farrell



## What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell

"Blunt and honest...A stunning piece of work." T.J. English

"Deeply moving. . .*What s Left of Us* is a rush of blood to the head and heart, the kind only true art can deliver." --Andre Dubus

"An amazing story not just of survival, but redemption." Mary McGarry Morris

Richie Farrell grew up in a working-class Irish neighborhood in Massachusetts. To overcome a birth defect, his father pushed him to become a star athlete, grooming him for Notre Dame. Sometimes, he would use a belt as a learning tool. Once, he used an electric carving knife...

The headline read *Crippled at Birth: Farrell Now Grid Star*. A month later, I tore up my knee and fell in love with pain medication.

By time he was thirty, Richie was a heroin addict, stealing from friends, shooting up during visits to his children, living in abandoned mill buildings, running from the shameful secrets of his family. Hopeless and in pain, he attempted suicide. When that failed, he was ordered to detox.

He looked at me. Be honest, he said, or you'll be on the street in 15 minutes. Jail, death, or honesty. You choose."

In this harrowing, astounding memoir, Richard Farrell chronicles a life of desperation, violence, lies and the pure oblivion of heroin. A gritty, hauntingly written tale of a descent into hell and a slow, uncertain climb out of it, *What's Left Of Us* is a true story of redemption: of how low a man can get, and how hard he must fight to escape a shattered life...

"[Farrell] carries you on this rollercoaster ride of ugliness and beauty. Don't miss it. Phyllis Karas

**Richard Farrell** is an author, filmmaker, teacher, journalist, and adjunct professor of English at the University of Massachusetts in Lowell. His documentary, *High on Crack Street*, was aired on HBO and received Columbia

University's duPont Award. The Fighter, a feature film based on High on Crack Street, will be released in 2011 starring Mark Wahlberg, Christian Bale, and Farrell playing himself. He is the co-author of A Criminal and an Irishman: The Inside Story of the Mob-IRA Connection. He makes his home in Milford, New Hampshire.

 [Download What's Left of Us ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online What's Left of Us ...pdf](#)

# What's Left of Us

By Richard Farrell

## What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell

"Blunt and honest...A stunning piece of work." T.J. English

"Deeply moving. . . *What's Left of Us* is a rush of blood to the head and heart, the kind only true art can deliver." --Andre Dubus

"An amazing story not just of survival, but redemption." Mary McGarry Morris

Richie Farrell grew up in a working-class Irish neighborhood in Massachusetts. To overcome a birth defect, his father pushed him to become a star athlete, grooming him for Notre Dame. Sometimes, he would use a belt as a learning tool. Once, he used an electric carving knife...

The headline read *Crippled at Birth: Farrell Now Grid Star*. A month later, I tore up my knee and fell in love with pain medication.

By time he was thirty, Richie was a heroin addict, stealing from friends, shooting up during visits to his children, living in abandoned mill buildings, running from the shameful secrets of his family. Hopeless and in pain, he attempted suicide. When that failed, he was ordered to detox.

He looked at me. Be honest, he said, or you'll be on the street in 15 minutes. Jail, death, or honesty. You choose."

In this harrowing, astounding memoir, Richard Farrell chronicles a life of desperation, violence, lies and the pure oblivion of heroin. A gritty, hauntingly written tale of a descent into hell and a slow, uncertain climb out of it, *What's Left Of Us* is a true story of redemption: of how low a man can get, and how hard he must fight to escape a shattered life...

"[Farrell] carries you on this rollercoaster ride of ugliness and beauty. Don't miss it. Phyllis Karas

**Richard Farrell** is an author, filmmaker, teacher, journalist, and adjunct professor of English at the University of Massachusetts in Lowell. His documentary, *High on Crack Street*, was aired on HBO and received Columbia University's duPont Award. *The Fighter*, a feature film based on *High on Crack Street*, will be released in 2011 starring Mark Wahlberg, Christian Bale, and Farrell playing himself. He is the co-author of *A Criminal* and *An Irishman: The Inside Story of the Mob-IRA Connection*. He makes his home in Milford, New Hampshire.

## What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell Bibliography

- Rank: #996555 in Books
- Brand: Brand: Citadel Press

- Published on: 2009-07-01
- Released on: 2009-06-30
- Original language: English
- Number of items: 1
- Dimensions: 8.30" h x .81" w x 5.60" l, .55 pounds
- Binding: Paperback
- 288 pages

 [Download What's Left of Us ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online What's Left of Us ...pdf](#)

## **Editorial Review**

### **Users Review**

#### **From reader reviews:**

##### **Deborah Hayes:**

This book untitled What's Left of Us to be one of several books that will best seller in this year, that is because when you read this guide you can get a lot of benefit upon it. You will easily to buy this particular book in the book retailer or you can order it by way of online. The publisher of the book sells the e-book too. It makes you quickly to read this book, because you can read this book in your Cell phone. So there is no reason to your account to past this guide from your list.

##### **Jane Kim:**

What's Left of Us can be one of your nice books that are good idea. Most of us recommend that straight away because this book has good vocabulary that may increase your knowledge in vocabulary, easy to understand, bit entertaining but still delivering the information. The copy writer giving his/her effort to get every word into satisfaction arrangement in writing What's Left of Us however doesn't forget the main point, giving the reader the hottest as well as based confirm resource info that maybe you can be among it. This great information could drawn you into new stage of crucial imagining.

##### **Bruce Alexander:**

The book untitled What's Left of Us contain a lot of information on it. The writer explains your ex idea with easy means. The language is very simple to implement all the people, so do definitely not worry, you can easy to read the item. The book was compiled by famous author. The author gives you in the new period of time of literary works. It is possible to read this book because you can keep reading your smart phone, or device, so you can read the book throughout anywhere and anytime. In a situation you wish to purchase the e-book, you can wide open their official web-site and order it. Have a nice read.

##### **Norma Wilson:**

Don't be worry for anyone who is afraid that this book may filled the space in your house, you can have it in e-book method, more simple and reachable. This particular What's Left of Us can give you a lot of good friends because by you checking out this one book you have thing that they don't and make an individual more like an interesting person. This particular book can be one of one step for you to get success. This book offer you information that might be your friend doesn't know, by knowing more than some other make you to be great individuals. So , why hesitate? Let me have What's Left of Us.

**Download and Read Online What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell  
#W2XYCBEKJUI**

## **Read What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell for online ebook**

What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell books to read online.

### **Online What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell ebook PDF download**

**What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell Doc**

**What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell Mobipocket**

**What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell EPub**

**W2XYCBEKJUI: What's Left of Us By Richard Farrell**