



# A Fatal Inheritance: How a Family Misfortune Revealed a Deadly Medical Mystery

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Author and award-winning journalist. Former senior editor at the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Los Angeles Times*.

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Pioneering journalist and author of two bestselling books.

**Tuesday, May 28 2024, 7:00 PM (on Zoom)**

**Register: [www.bit.ly/IngrassiaFANWebinar](http://www.bit.ly/IngrassiaFANWebinar)**

**PLUS: After-Hours Event!**

Purchase a copy of *A Fatal Inheritance* from FAN's partner bookseller The Book Stall to receive a link to an interactive "After-Hours" event hosted by Mr. Ingrassia. Details on the Zoom registration form.

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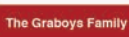
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**Tuesday, May 28, 2024, 7:00 PM, A Fatal Inheritance: How a Family Misfortune Revealed a Deadly Medical Mystery, a FAN webinar featuring Lawrence Ingrassia, in conversation with Joanne Lipman.**

**REGISTER:** [www.bit.ly/IngrassiaFANWebinar](http://www.bit.ly/IngrassiaFANWebinar)

**BONUS AFTER-HOURS EVENT:** Attendees who purchase a copy of *A Fatal Inheritance* from FAN's partner bookseller The Book Stall are invited to attend an AFTER-HOURS event hosted by Mr. Ingrassia that will start immediately after the webinar. Details on the webinar registration page.

In *A Fatal Inheritance: How a Family Misfortune Revealed a Deadly Medical Mystery*, Lawrence Ingrassia weaves his moving family story with a sweeping history of cancer research, delivering an intimate, gripping tale that sits at the intersection of memoir and medical thriller. Ingrassia lost his mother, two sisters, brother, and nephew to cancer—different cancers developing at different points throughout their lives. And while highly unusual, his family is not the only one to wonder whether their heartbreak is the result of unbelievable bad luck, or if there might be another explanation.

Through meticulous research and riveting storytelling, Ingrassia takes us from the 1960s—when Frederick Pei Li, MD and Joseph Fraumeni Jr., MD first met, not yet knowing that they would help make a groundbreaking discovery that would affect cancer patients for decades to come—to present day, as Ingrassia and countless others continue to unpack and build upon Li and Fraumeni's initial discoveries, and to understand what this means for their families.

Ingrassia is an author and award-winning journalist, having worked as a senior editor at the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Los Angeles Times* before retiring from newspapers in 2017. In his decades-long newspaper career, journalists directed by him won five Pulitzer Prizes - for national reporting, explanatory reporting, international reporting, and commentary - as well as Polk, Loeb and other awards.

Ingrassia will be in conversation with **Joanne Lipman**, a pioneering journalist and the bestselling author of *Next! The Power of Reinvention in Life and Work* and the No. 1 bestseller *That's What She Said: What Men and Women Need to Know About Working Together*. She has served as Editor-in-Chief of *USA Today*, *USA Today Network*, *Conde Nast Portfolio*, and *The Wall Street Journal's Weekend Journal*, leading those organizations to six Pulitzer Prizes. She is also an on-air CNBC contributor and Yale University journalism lecturer.

This event suitable for youth 12+. It will be recorded and available on FAN's website and YouTube channel.

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