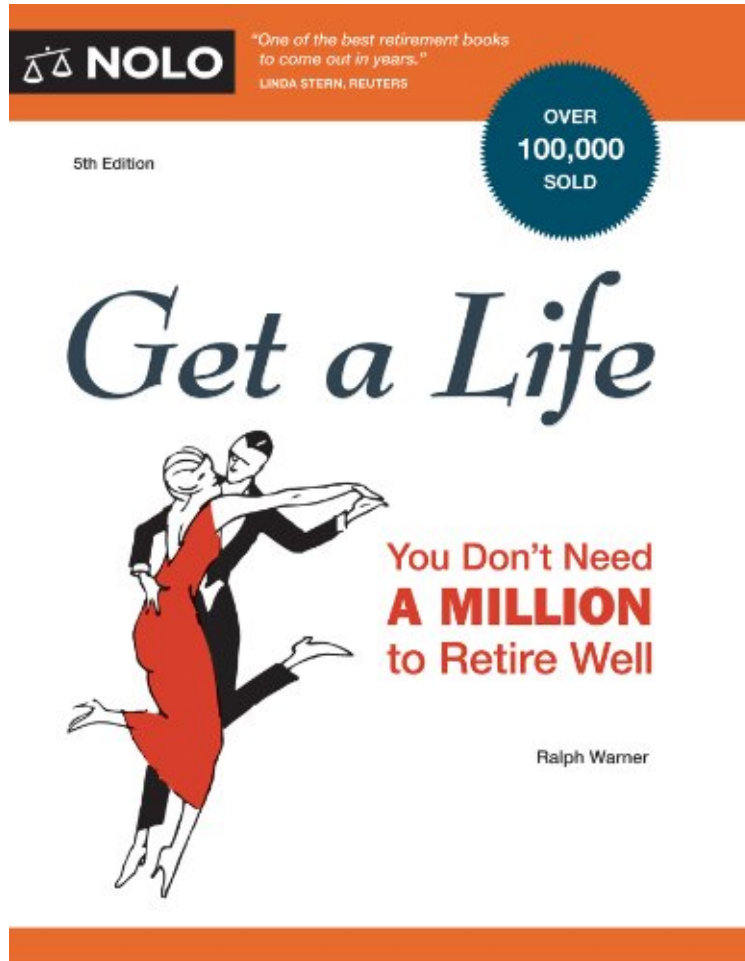


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giving this 4 stars instead of 5 is that I wish the author/editors would keep updating and publishing this book as the economy changes. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A really great book about preparing for a happy retirement. I can't understand why this never became more famous than it did. By Denver Hawkeye I first read this book years ago, but turned my copy in to Good Will as I was trying to bring my library down to a more manageable size. Several years after I had given it up, I bought a copy again through . This book is well written and full of good, practical advice about planning the stage of your life that comes after you quit working full time. This is not a bit dated.

Retire happy and healthy without keeping a million bucks in the bank! The financial-service industry wants you to believe that in order to avoid financial destitution, you need to put aside huge amounts of money that you -- let's say it together -- "should have begun saving years ago." Not true, states Ralph Warner, Nolo co-founder and the author of *Get a Life* . Although a sensible savings plan makes good horse sense, many other actions and decisions will determine whether you enjoy your retirement years. *Get a Life* shows you how to beat the anxiety surrounding retirement, and to develop a plan to make your golden years the best of your life by: developing family relationships maintaining and creating friendships improving health keeping active developing a robust curiosity for the world realistically calculating how much money you need and how to secure it The 5th edition provides the latest research and studies that show physically and mentally active retirees live longer and enjoy happier lives. New in 2008: Also in this category, by coauthor Ralph Warner, *Retire Happy: What you Can Do Now to Guarantee a Great Retirement*.

From Publishers Weekly Warner, attorney and founder of Nolo, the do-it-yourself legal publisher, has written a unique retirement guide which, despite its title, focuses on non-financial issues as well as the traditional retirement concerns. The book also includes conversations with notable people who have led productive "retirement" lives, including environmental activist and writer Ernest Callenbach and mathematician Arthur Levenson. By focusing on important concerns such as broadening circles of friends, relying on one's extended family, turning to hobbies and nonwork activities, the book will help readers gain a healthier perspective on retirement. The sections on friendship and love are particularly compelling. The chapters on specific financial planning are not as complete as readers might want; for example, there's only one brief chapter that explains how investments work. Warner can also be something of a contrarian in his financial advice. He maintains that experts who say people need roughly 80% of their pre-retirement income are wrong. In addition, Warner says (arguably) that the Social Security system is not actually in precarious shape and will be around for many years to come. Still this is one of the freshest and most practical approaches to retirement planning in a long time. Copyright 1996 Reed Business Information, Inc. From Booklist Money for retirement doesn't matter? Well, not exactly. Warner puts a different spin on how to prepare for retirement by recognizing that a sensible savings plan is important, but the real keys to successful retirement are good health, spiritual life, relationships with family and friends, and having interesting things to do. His mission in this book is to identify the habits and life-style choices that set zestful people apart from those who spend their last years bored, lonely, and depressed. He reveals that there is often a direct connection between mid-life obsession with work and saving and an unhappy retirement. He has developed a thoughtful catalog of retirement activities and options that are worth reviewing; and he makes recommendations on the financial aspects of retirement by offering advice to "the savvy peasant," someone he identifies as being too busy to spend time on Wall Street "gobbledygook" but having more than enough financial smarts to invest money wisely and get rich slowly but surely. Mary Whaley ""On my scale of one to 10, this great book rates an off-the-chart 12."" Robert Bruss ""Offers sound advice for achieving both financial success and developing areas of your life that will truly make a difference in retirement..." Chicago Tribune ""Some books slice through the media noise with clarity. *Get a Life* is one of them. Its author advises a life-enriching retirement plan." Fort Worth Star-Telegram ""If you're in your 40s or 50s and find yourself spending too much time worrying about how many hundreds of thousands (or millions) you will need to retire, I have a suggestion. Do what I did... Put in a rush order for [Warner's] book *Get a Life*." Scott Burns, Houston Chronicle ""This inspirational book discusses how people can have a successful retirement without a lot of money as long as they have strong relationships, decent health and absorbing activities to keep them going." Liz Pulliam Weston, Los Angeles Times ""One of the best retirement books to come out in recent years... puts money and the other essentials of retirement life in its place." Linda Stern, Reuters ""Those who really want to retire can figure out ways to live that will cut their expenses while enhancing their experience of life." San Antonio Express-News ""Hard work and a lifetime of savings are the prescription for a good retirement, right? Think again..." U.S. News World Report