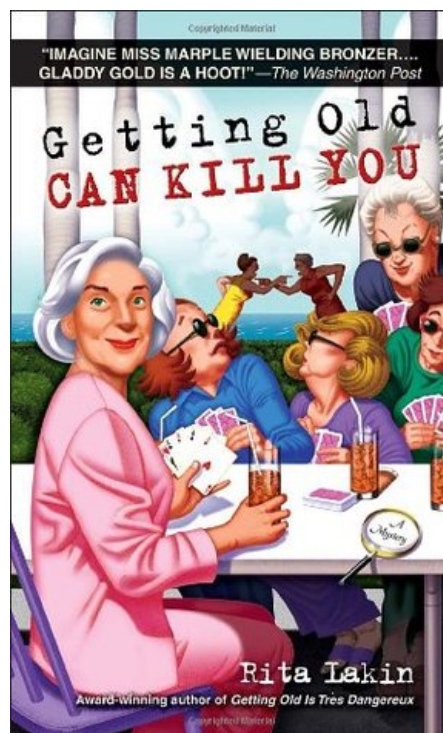




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Life isn't all sunny in Fort Lauderdale's Lanai Gardens. Returning from a blissful double honeymoon with her sister Evvie, Gladdy Gold announces that she wants her new hubby, Jack, to join her detective agency. But Gladdy's gals say no dice, and soon Ida, Sophie, and Bella are striking out on their own, enrolling in a class to learn how to be *real* PIs.

But there's more than enough trouble for two detective agencies when sultry Joyce Steiner moves in, reopening an old rivalry with Arlene Simon, whose husband ran off with Joyce fifty-five years earlier. When Joyce is found murdered, Arlene becomes the prime suspect, and Gladdy and her girls will have to band together if they're going to prove that the truth is not just elusive but a real killer.

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Kenneth Flusche says

Laughed all the way thru, reminds me of the Golden Girls

Ed says

#7 in the Gladdy Gold series. A relatively lightweight entry in this series and given that the formerly annual entry has gone 19 months and nothing new has been announced, it may wrap the series up. Gladdy Gold and her geriatric pals live in a heavily Jewish retirement community in Fort Lauderdale, FL. In the first book Getting Old is Murder (2005) residents were dying, Gladdy and cohorts suspected murder, but the police wouldn't listen. In response the wound up forming a detective agency that has spent seven series entries solving several crimes (usually one murder and a few minor crimes) per entry. I hate to see the series end, but I guess the 82 year old author is entitled to rest.

Gladdy Gold series - When Joyce Steiner moves into Fort Lauderdale's Lanai Gardens, reopening an old rivalry with Arlene Simon, whose husband ran off with Joyce fifty-five years earlier, Gladdy and the girls must band together to catch a killer when Joyce is murdered and Arlene stands accused of the crime.

Cindi says

I loved this book and look forward to reading more from the series.

Carol says

Getting Old Can Kill You is a change from traditional cozies. It involves a group of retired women instead of younger women or women with young children in tow. Also the main characters are all Jewish. It is set appropriately in Fort Lauderdale, Florida. This is the first of the series that I have read and I hope to get a chance to read the others. I really like the change from the usual age.

It was very light, funny and uncomplicated. Gladdy Gold had just returned from a double honeymoon with her sister, Evvie. Gladdy wants her husband to join the detective agency that she has. But Ida complains that it wouldn't be the same with Jack in the group. She thought that meant, no more shopping together, no more snacks in the middle of the night and in general, it just wouldn't be the same. So Ida suggested that she, Sophie and Bella create a new detective agency with her name of course. The women figure out how to get to a two week detective training course. They also meet a new character, Rico, who I really hope is in the future books. The main case of the book involves a grudge held for fifty-five years by Arlene Simon against the person who stole her husband.

The two cases were not that complicated so what I enjoyed the most was the humor of the group and the villain in the first case. I also loved the characters so I hope to learn more about them in the other books in this series.

I highly recommend this cozy for its humor and uncomplicated story for all cozy fans.

edifanob says

I love the Gladdy Gold series. The seventh book in the series is as good as all the other ones.

I wish I will be as humorous, mentally bright and agile when I will be 70+ years old.

You want to know how life can be beyond an age of 70? You look for an entertaining read which let you laugh out loud? You need to be reminded how important it is to have friends? You loved the Golden Girls and you search for something similar with a PI touch? You look for a book you can read together with your partner?

Then there is no way out. Read the Gladdy Gold series. That is seven times most entertaining read. Seven times you will spend unforgettable hours.

But attention:

Be aware that you will laugh out loud more than once.

Diane says

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Marja McGraw says

Rita Lakin made my day with Getting Old Can Kill You. Presenting several female Jewish retirees who live in Fort Lauderdale as detectives is inspired.

In this one the ladies have decided it's time to break into two groups, and when Joyce Steiner moves in things change. Joyce broke up Arlene Simon's marriage fifty-five years ago, and now she's moved into the apartments and seems to want to reconcile their differences. Or does she? Arlene is the prime suspect when Joyce is bumped off, and the lady detectives are right in the middle of the action, not working side by side.

This series brightens my day, and Gladdie Gold is priceless. If you want a delightful read, try the "Getting Old" series.

Valdez says

Gladdy and the gang are back, this time there is a schism in the group . Since Gladdy and her sister Evvie have new husbands, Ida thinks they won't have time for their old crime solving friends. Ida decides to take Sophie and Bella to sign up for PI classes so that they can start a competing business.

In the meantime, a new resident moves into the complex, but it turns out that she has a sorted past with one

of the current residents.

Vicki says

OMG, who ever thought a retirement community could have so much mayhem. Gladdy, Evvie, Ida, Bella and Sophie are back solving the turmoil that is a part of Lanai Gardens.

Threatened by Galddy's new marriage, Ida talks Bella and Sophie into starting their own agency. First step, detective school. Second step, Rico, a new partner because every agency needs a car.

Seymour is missing. Joyce mysteriously appears. Arlene is being stalked. Somebody is dead. To save a friend the girls unite and the entire retirement community goes into action.

I like the organization of the story. It flows through an easy to follow timeline. The characters are funny but believable. When one is looking for light entertaining reading, this book hits the spot.

Rhonda says

This book obviously isn't great literature but it's so funny and witty that I couldn't wait to continue reading

Betty says

Some years ago I like the Gladdy Gold series very much and I am delighted to find the seventh book about Gladdy and her girls. I found the humor of series still present. However, I was not happy with the plot. The group eating dinner at their favorite deli when a strange girl burst and claims some men are out to kill her. She is Ida's granddaughter, Gloria aka Tori. Granddad Bandit has served his time and makes an appearance. Will Gladdy be able to save Tori? I recommend this book.

Disclosure: Many thanks to Severn House for a review copy. The opinions expressed are my own.

Grady Hart says

I really enjoyed this book . My first by the author. It was an easy entertaining read on a hot summer night curled up on the couch blasting the fan. I enjoyed the characters and the clean prose of the writer. If you like Miss. Jane Marple and Jessica Fletcher you will like these ladies.

Sheena says

a timepass read

Frostie Winter says

What a terrific book - I hope there will be more !

Terri says

Goldy and Evvie get married in a double wedding and return from their honeymoon to find the gang has decided to go off on their own. They have formed their own PI agency and are taking classes. And not only that, they have added a new member to their team. Meanwhile in the complex, a woman from Arlene's past shows up to mend 50 year old fences only Arlene is not forgiving.

A fun and fast ride with favorite senior sleuths. I enjoyed everyone trying to find their fit in the new dynamics. And I truly felt sorry for Arlene and was completely satisfied by the solutions.
