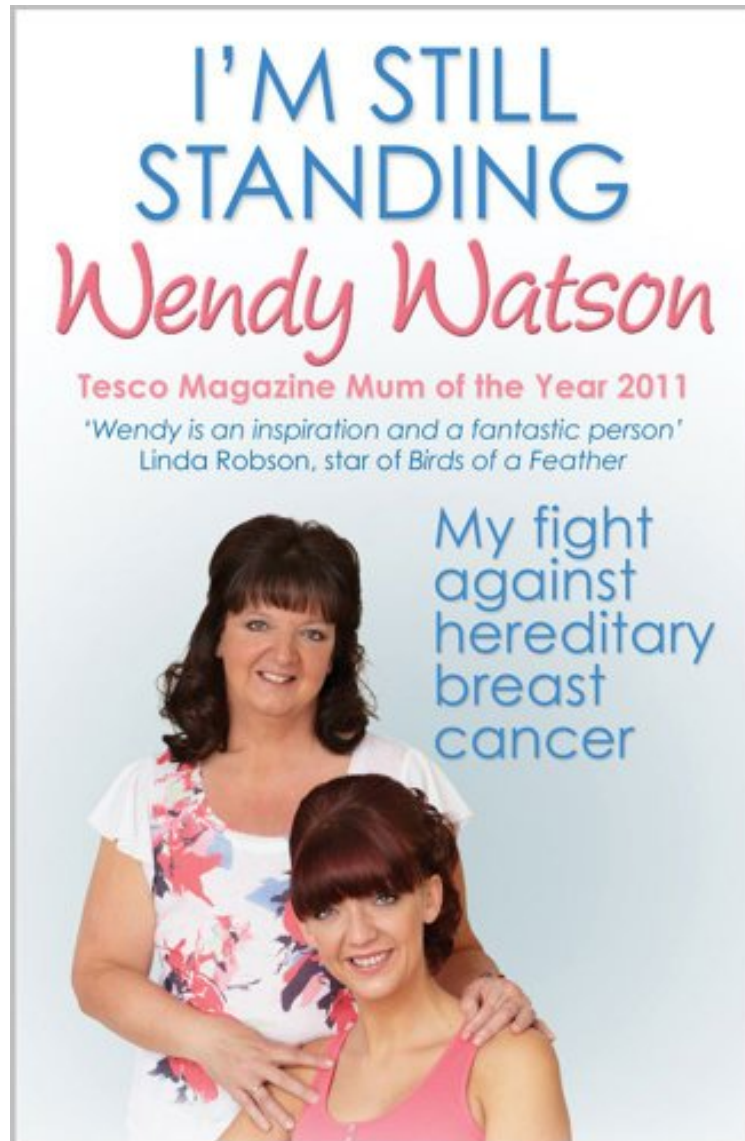


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inspiration, such a fighter for a cause, the person you want on your side, when you're backed into a corner. I have laughed out loud and also shed a few tears during the reading of this book. How anyone can pack so much into their life as she has done is amazing, and she is only 56. I can't wait to read the next book, so come on Wendy get writing. I would highly recommend this book to anyone. When you have been diagnosed as a carrier of hereditary breast and ovarian cancer, you feel as though you are the only person in the world with it and do not know where to turn. I live in France and we are not fortunate enough to have a helpline with the knowledge and back-up that there is with the National Hereditary Breast Cancer Helpline. I searched the internet and found Wendy and the NHBCH. She and her team have given me guidance to make the right decisions for me. Everyone is given unbiased advice and information about all the options that are available.

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