

# Lynne M. Spreen

After a thirty-year career in Human Resources, Lynne M. Spreen reinvented herself as an author, speaker, blogger, and teacher. She writes midlife fiction and romance, because she believes the second half of life is a rich, untapped literary vein of human drama.

Her debut novel, *Dakota Blues*, tells the story of a 50-year-old woman who takes a last road trip with a 90-year-old friend. The novel won an award for excellence in women's fiction. She followed with *Middle-Aged Crazy: Short Stories of Midlife and Beyond*, and in October published *Key Largo Blues*, the sequel to her first book. All three of her books are available at Cellar Door Bookstore in Riverside and at Amazon.com. She is currently working on *Palm Springs Blues*, the next in the Karen Grace series, and a new novel, the first in her Silver Romance series, because she doesn't believe we should put a literary age limit on love. For more information about her books, visit [www.Amazon.com/author/lynnespreeen](http://www.Amazon.com/author/lynnespreeen) or her website, [www.AnyShinyThing.com](http://www.AnyShinyThing.com).

Lynne took up golf at the age of forty-two and sank a hole-in-one shortly thereafter. She began to learn to play the piano – a lifelong dream – at sixty-one. At the same time, she formed a community of writers, the Diamond Valley Writers' Guild, which is now a robust part of the Inland Empire.

Lynne is a member of the DVWG, the Romance Writers of America, and the Palm Springs Writers' Guild. She is married to Bill Spreen. They live in Hemet, California.