

## Virtuous Woman

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**Kaye Gibbons : Virtuous Woman** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Virtuous Woman:

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Literary fiction at its best, a book that deserves its praiseBy Marie DLiterary fiction at its best, a book that deserves its praise. Easy to read but full of thought-provoking second layers. For me, a book is great when as soon as you finish it you want to go back to the beginning and read it again more slowly because you know you will see more in every reading.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. A keeperBy Sheila GallagherExcellent book where the story is told from both points of view. Ruby's story is of her past. Jack's is both present and past. Sometimes you get the story from both points. Other times, it is only one view. I got into the story and could not put it down. I felt the pain of both Ruby and Jack. I cried I was so into their lives. It was hard to let go. Well done! A keeper.11 of 13 people found the following review helpful. The life story of Ruby PittBy RatmammyA VIRTUOUS WOMAN is about Ruby Pitt Woodrow, who was only 20 when she met and married Jack stokes. He was her second husband, after she had been married to an abusive drifter named John Woodrow, who she met on her father's farm.The story starts with Jack reminiscing about Ruby, and then goes into detail the life she lead and how she met Jack. Ruby's life as a child was one of ease, since her father owned a farm and they were comfortable. But she chose to marry one of the migrant workers on the farm and from there her life turned for the worse. Her first husband was abusive emotionally and physically and finally left her for a girl much younger than Ruby. She meets Jack shortly after her husband dies.The book starts with her death (from lung cancer) and back tracks to her childhood, her first marraige, and then to happier years with Jack. Each chapter has a different narrator, switching back and forth between Ruby and Jack. I liked this method of story telling, although at first I found it

confusing. I recommend A VIRTUOUS WOMAN for the story content and the writing style.

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