

# Lisa Scottoline

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Because the thing about love is that we can't control whether we get it, but we can control whether we give it.

~Lisa Scottoline

I love the dignity in the name Philadelphia, but at heart, we're Philly.

~Lisa Scottoline

If you can't be brave then be determined. And you will end up in the same place.

~Lisa Scottoline

Let's talk about a decision that women have to make every morning-  
Big purse or little purse?

~Lisa Scottoline

Any middle-aged woman knows that our feet are not for the faint of heart, especially in midwinter. I wear clogs, so it's actually like my feet are wooden now.

~Lisa Scottoline

It's the Snickers bars. Snickers equal romance.

~Lisa Scottoline

Even if it's not what you planned, you can make a life for yourself on your own and be happy.

~Lisa Scottoline

The truth is that every writer, whether it's fiction or nonfiction, is trying to write something truly original and that's what I think I'm doing.

~Lisa Scottoline

I am really, I think, truly an easygoing, positive, fun person.

~Lisa Scottoline

People project all sorts of emotions onto their cats, and cats like it that way.

~Lisa Scottoline

Ellen had long ago stopped being embarrassed by temper tantrums. She flipped it and wore it like a badge of honor. A temper tantrum was a sign that a mom said no when it counted.

~Lisa Scottoline

Do you know what they call people who hoard books? Smart.

~Lisa Scottoline

Likewise, I would never be so rude as to not interrupt a friend. How else would she know I was listening?

~Lisa Scottoline

Everybody hates lawyers, but they don't realize judges are just lawyers with a promotion. Think about it.

~Lisa Scottoline

don't argue what you don't believe in. Rule number one, in law and in life.

~Lisa Scottoline

I am an open book, literally. I don't mind if people know way too much about me.

~Lisa Scottoline

I read, therefore, I matter.

~Lisa Scottoline

But the fact is, I'm not work-identified. I'm not a lawyer or a writer. I'm a mom, and I'm a woman, and that's the kind of people I want to see in books in the starring role.

~Lisa Scottoline

Testosterone should be a controlled substance.

~Lisa Scottoline

I still think I'm writing Nancy Drew with a mortgage.

~Lisa Scottoline

Women shouldn't iron, ever. It's our wrinkles that make us interesting.

~Lisa Scottoline

Even people who counted their blessings never counted them in the morning. For one thing, there wasn't time.

~Lisa Scottoline

My animals are a really important part of my life.

~Lisa Scottoline

There was no known cure for a Catholic education.

~Lisa Scottoline

everything associated with weddings cost the same - a fortune.

~Lisa Scottoline

And when I look at my mother, I reflect on her strength and endurance. She's cranky sometimes, but she is lovable and loving. I'd be happy to be there at 86.

~Lisa Scottoline

You can really help support a character if you understand the setting. So for that reason I generally write about Philadelphia.

~Lisa Scottoline

I love my job, and I love books. I read anything, including cereal boxes.

I care deeply about what people think of my books, and I memorize my reviews. I love to hear from my readers.

~Lisa Scottoline

Truth is, every writer has to be a good editor, and you have to edit yourself. It's a skill every writer has to acquire.

~Lisa Scottoline

We can't control what people do or say, even if it's dumb.

~Lisa Scottoline

And wouldn't we be better off if every New Year's, we thought about the things we did right and we resolved to keep doing them, no matter how wacky they were.

~Lisa Scottoline

Truly I never thought of myself as writing legal thrillers, and I still don't think I do. I write stories about women.

~Lisa Scottoline

I like terrific writing, but I also like a terrific story. My favorite books have both, and they're by contemporary, commercial American writers.

~Lisa Scottoline

I was a lawyer and I loved it, but my Francesca was born, and a divorce followed way too soon after.

~Lisa Scottoline

If it weren't for book tours, I would never leave my house.

~Lisa Scottoline

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