

“A Man Called Ove”

Ove is a hard case. At war with the world, he can't even buy flowers for his wife Sonja's grave without provoking an argument with the sales clerk. Okay you can see it coming - a modern day Scrooge finally mends his ways and rejoins the human race. An oft told tale to be sure but “A Man Called Ove” takes you to some unexpected places.

While the present day Ove is a surly and bitter man, we discover that he was not always that way. As he puts it: “I had no life before I met Sonja and no life after she was gone”. But as his life changed when he met Sonja, it changes again when new neighbors move in. At first the Swedish husband, his high spirited Iranian born wife Pars and their two rambunctious children are but another irritant to Ove. But Pars and her family will turn out to be his salvation.

“A Man Called Ove” deals with the inevitable the ups and downs of life from the overwhelming grief that accompanies a great loss to the ultimate resilience of the human spirit. This is a feel-good crowd pleaser made with both heart and intelligence.

(Amazon Prime)