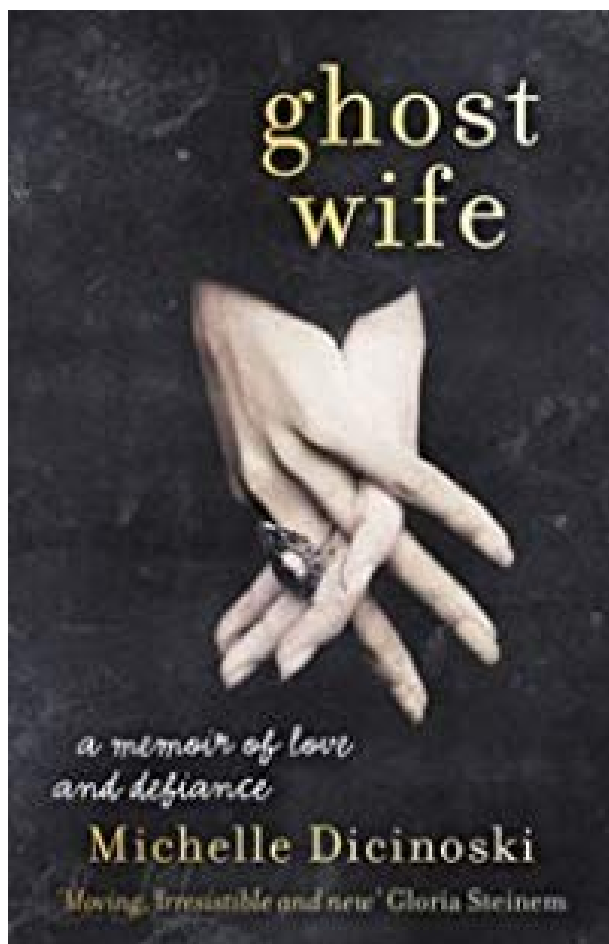


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Michelle Dicoski has found the love of her life – and now she just wants to get married and live happily ever after.

The only problem is, she's in love with an American woman, Heather, and neither Australia nor America recognises same-sex marriage. What to do when pride and prejudice – love and the law – collide? For Michelle, the answer is clear: go to Canada and get hitched there. This is the deep, funny, heartwarming and brave story of that trip.

Along the way, Michelle reflects on why anyone would want to get married anyway, on the power of acceptance, and on the startling ghost stories in her family. She investigates the hidden worlds of people who make lives for themselves outside social norms, sometimes illegally. Michelle doesn't want to disappear, not from her family and not from society. But living in Australia, will she always be a ghost wife?