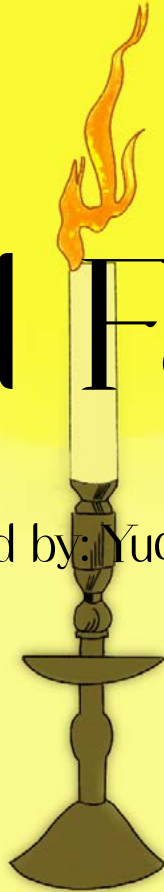


Beyond Farewell

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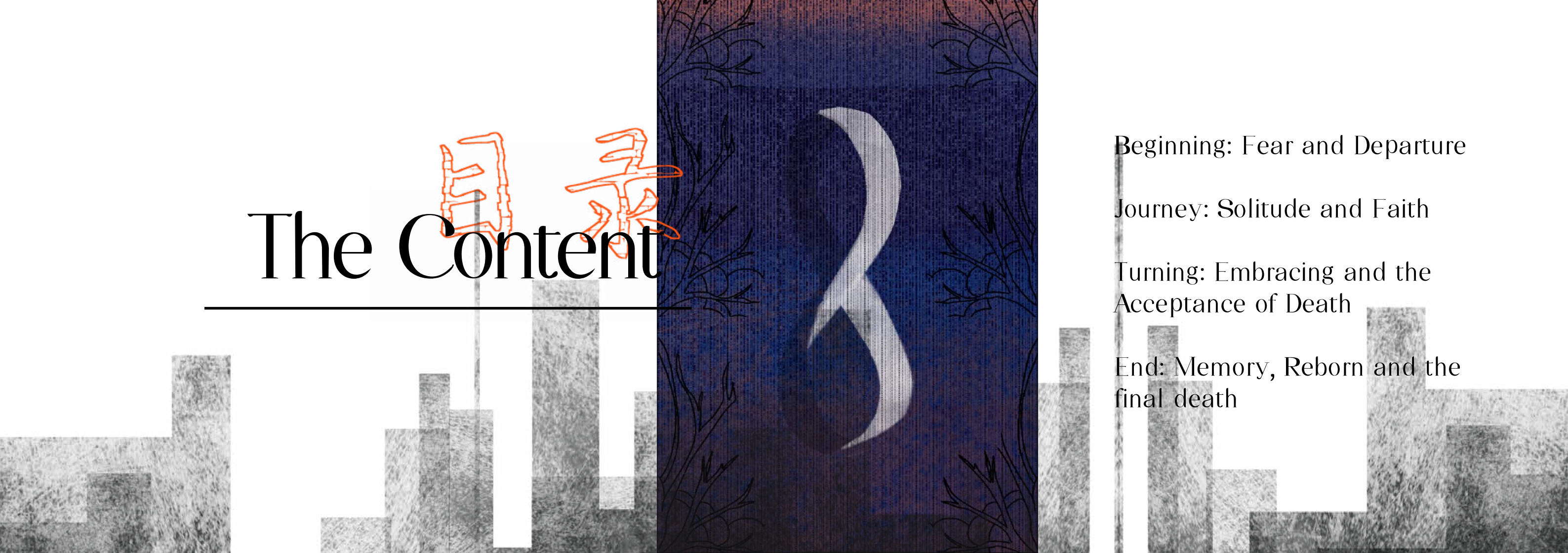


*"Death ends a life, not a relationship." — Mitch Albom,
"I do not fear death. I had been dead for billions and billions
of years before I was born, and had not suffered the slightest
inconvenience from it."
— Mark Twain*

Beyond Farewell

A classical painting of a muscular man, likely a deity or hero, in a red robe. He is depicted in a dynamic, almost dancing pose, with one arm raised and pointing. Behind him is a red outline of a similar figure, suggesting a transition or a second state. The background is dark and textured.

*"I go to seek a Great Perhaps." — François Rabelais
"Things we lose have a way of coming back to us in the end, if
not always in the way we expect."
— JK Rowling, Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
"When he died, all things soft and beautiful and bright would
be buried with him."
— Madeline Miller, The Song of Achilles*



The Content

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Beginning: Fear and Departure

The Prayer



*People often put their only hope to god when there are no hope left.
A girl is praying that her grandfather, who has cancer, will stay alive.*

Keywords: **Deep Love**, **Grief**, **Prayer**, **Vulnerability**

Meaning:

Your heart is full of love and fear, praying for a miracle. Your tears are proof of your love, not a sign of weakness.

Try to change your prayer. Don't ask to change what must happen. Instead, ask for the strength to face it. The truest prayer isn't to keep him here, but to be fully there with him.

The Deeper Meaning: Love isn't about avoiding goodbye. It's about finding the courage to face it together.





The Shadow

Keywords: Fear, Anxiety, The Unknown, Darkness

Meaning:

You are facing a deep and heavy fear. This shadow of death or loss feels dark and cold, and it is a natural human feeling.

This card tells you it's okay to be afraid. True strength is not about having no fear, but about seeing your fear and still moving forward. You must face the shadow to make it smaller. Do not hide from your fear. Look at it, understand it, and you will begin to find your way through.





The Peace

Reversed: The Peace

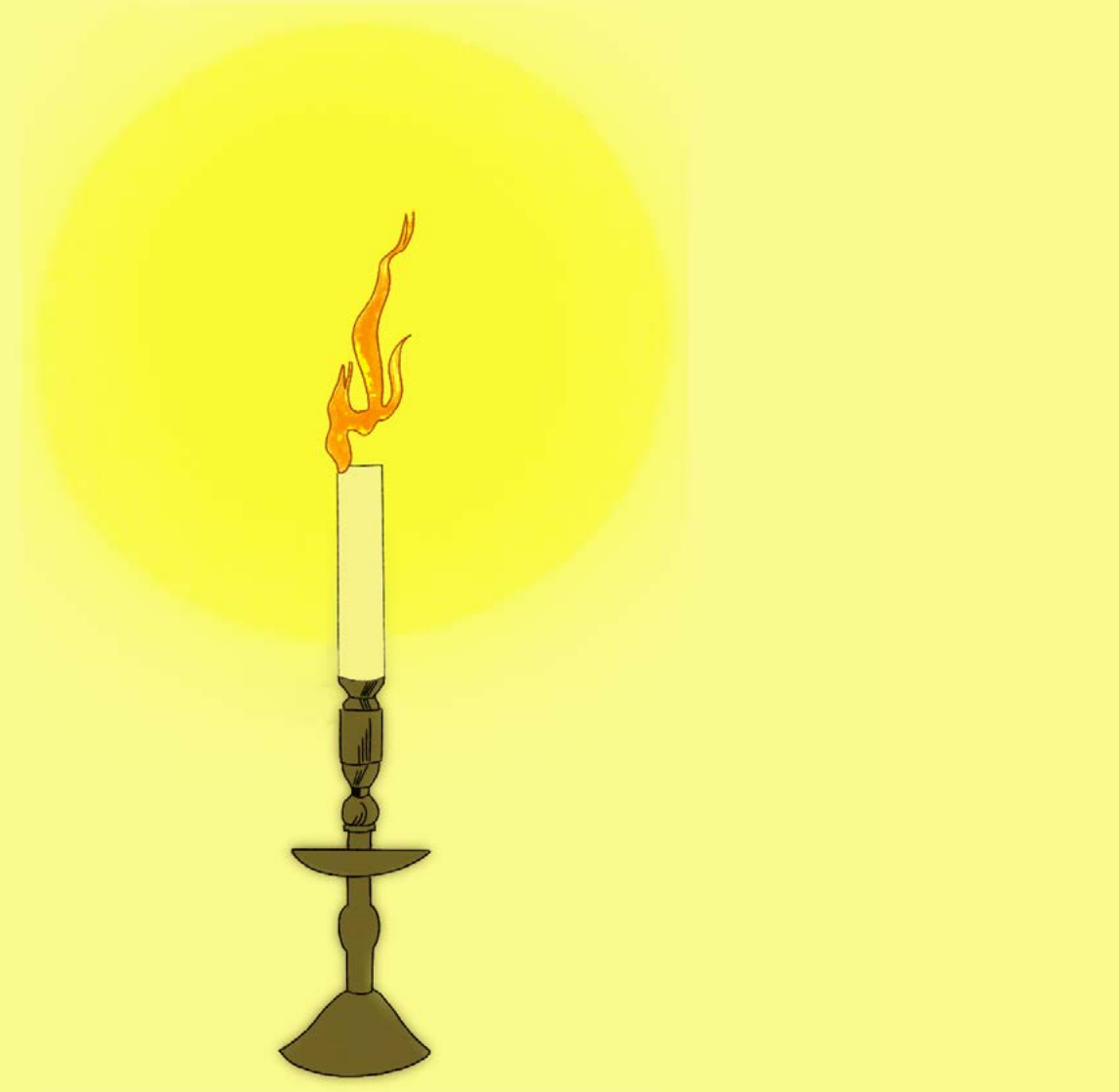
Meaning:

You know he has found peace, but your heart is still clouded with grief, unable to feel the same calm. This struggle is the deepest mark of love.

Guidance:

Try, slowly, to shift your focus from his "departure" to his "release from suffering." True remembrance will eventually meet tranquility.

In the stillness of his final peace, she wrestled with the storm of her own.





The Pallbearer

Journey: Solitude and Faith



"The silent procession walks beneath white veils, surrendering grief to the wind. Between mountains and moonlight, they learn to make peace with farewell."

The Upright(Left to right)
Keywords: **Ritual, Release, Forward Movement, Honor**

A final, respectful farewell. You are honoring the past while moving forward with your grief. This ritual is necessary for healing.

Reversed (Right to left)

Keywords: **Stagnation, Attachment,**
Unresolved Grief, Resistance

Stuck looking backward. Your grief may feel heavy and unresolved. It's time to gently release the past to find peace.



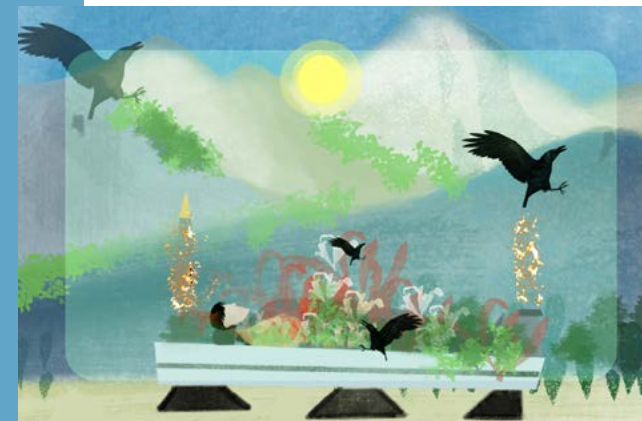


Back to Nature

*The body dissolves, but the love remains—
fertilizing the ground for new life to bloom.*



The Cycle



Back to Nature & The Cycle

Keywords: **Transformation, Rebirth, Return to Nature, Sacred Release**

Meaning:

This card depicts the sacred completion of the life cycle. The body returns to earth, nourishing new life. Death is not an end—it is transformation. Peace lives in this release. What is released to the sky returns to the soil in time.

Guidance:

Release with reverence, not resistance. Honor their return to the earth by living your own life fully. Their energy has not vanished—it has changed form and become part of the world again.

Card Group Name: The Final Journey

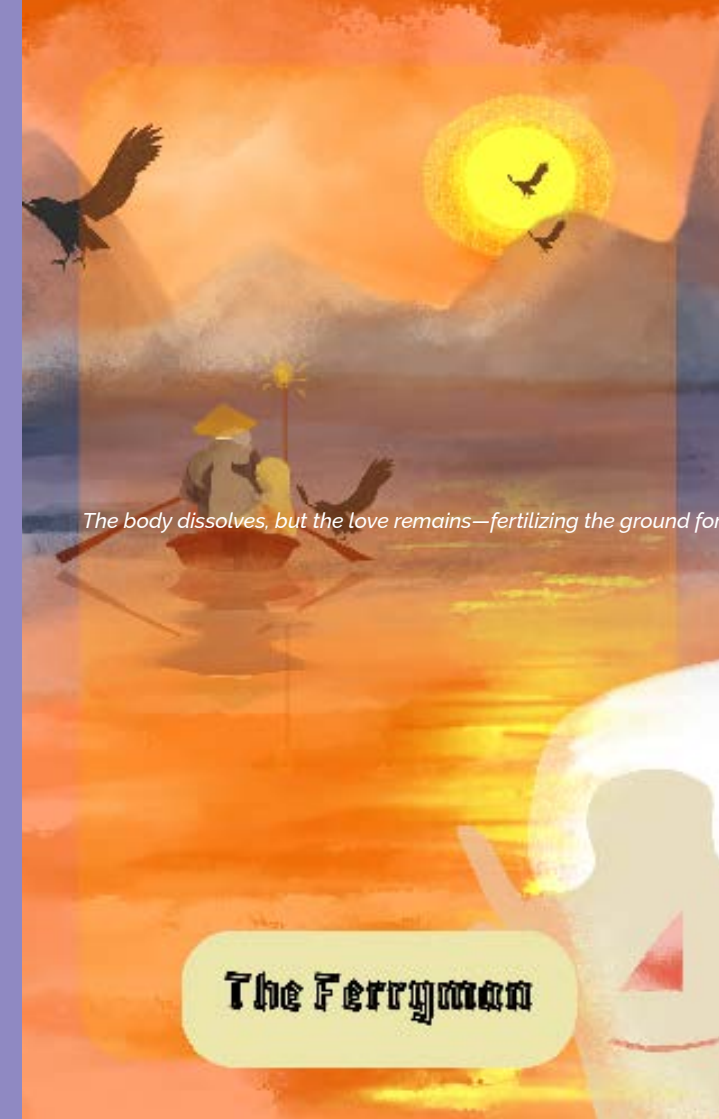
Keywords: **Guidance, Transition, Peace, Homecoming, Soul's Release**

The Light Tower offers guidance through uncertainty, like a beacon cutting through doubt.

The Ferryman helps souls cross gently from life to what awaits beyond, with compassion.

The Journey is the soul's quiet passage through realms of calm toward lasting peace.

Guidance:
Your loved ones
are safe and
guided. Trust their
journey. Honor
them by living
fully, not clinging
to grief.



Turning: Embracing and the Acceptance of Death



The Guardian

Keywords: **Protection, Peace, Memory, Sacred Ground**

The Guardian
A gentle watcher of sacred rest. This card brings peace—assuring you they are safe, and love outlives life itself.

Guidance:
Your loved ones are at peace. Grieve gently, but remember: love doesn't die. Carry their light forward without fear.

The Guardian



The Death God

Keywords: **Transition, Release, Guidance, Acceptance**

A divine guide who helps souls cross between worlds. She is the guide between worlds—not to bring fear, but to offer peace. She shows us how to let go with love, not desperation. Her message is simple: trust the journey. Even when we can't see the way, she reminds us that life continues beyond what we know. Release gently. What comes next is held in compassion..

Guidance:
Let go with love, not fear. Trust that those who have passed are guided with compassion. Honor them by living fully—not by holding on to sorrow.

The Death God

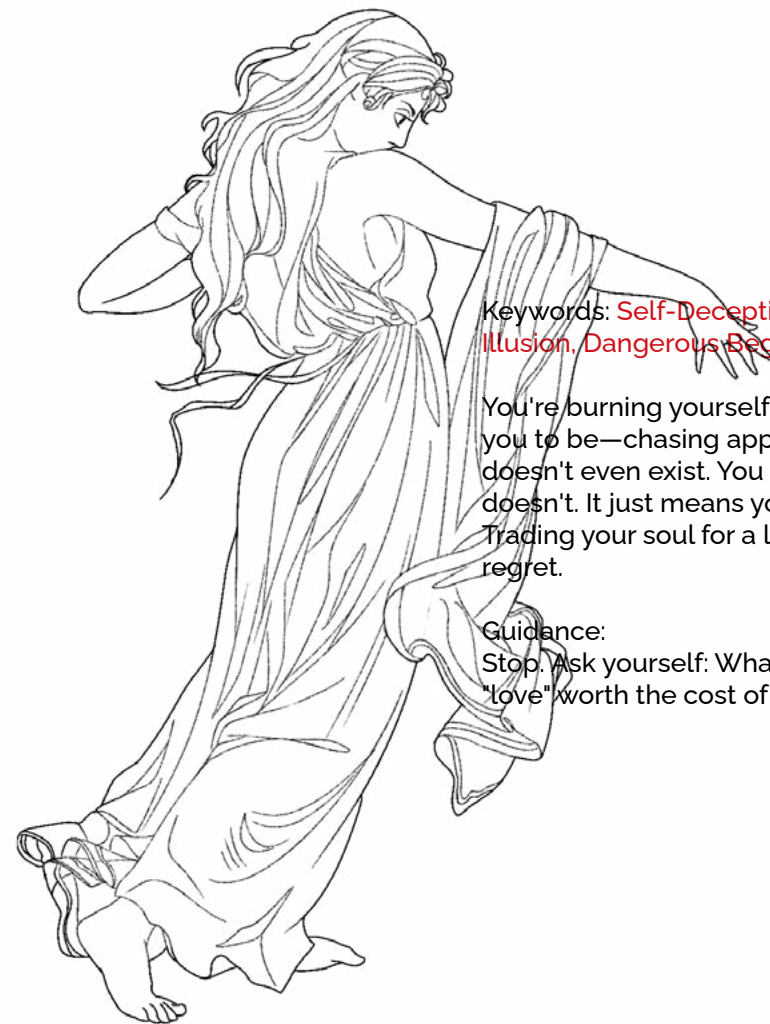
They stand where worlds meet—one guarding memory, one guiding passage. Neither brings death, only peace. They remind us: to love is to release, to grieve is to honor, and to accept is to transcend.

The Fool

She leaped for a love that demanded her disappearance. Her foolishness was not in the fall, but in believing that being less of herself would make her more worthy of being loved.



The Fool



Keywords: Self-Deception, Blind Sacrifice, Living for an Illusion, Dangerous Beginning

You're burning yourself out trying to be what others want you to be—chasing approval or an idea of "perfection" that doesn't even exist. You think this pain proves you care? It doesn't. It just means you're losing yourself for nothing. Trading your soul for a little attention is a deal you'll always regret.

Guidance:
Stop. Ask yourself: What am I truly sacrificing for? Is this "love" worth the cost of my own life?



The Connection

Keywords: Reunion,
Celebration, Legacy,
Fearless Love

This card celebrates the return of spirits, where love transcends death. We honor them with music and joy, not tears.

Guidance: Welcome their memory with an open heart. Build altars of remembrance, share stories, and let love bridge all worlds.



The dead are never gone until the living stop remembering. Tonight, we set out their favorite bread, we sing their favorite songs, and we welcome them home with joy, not tears.



04 End: Memory, Reborn and the Final Death

Upright · The
New Start
Raven, Cycle,
Release

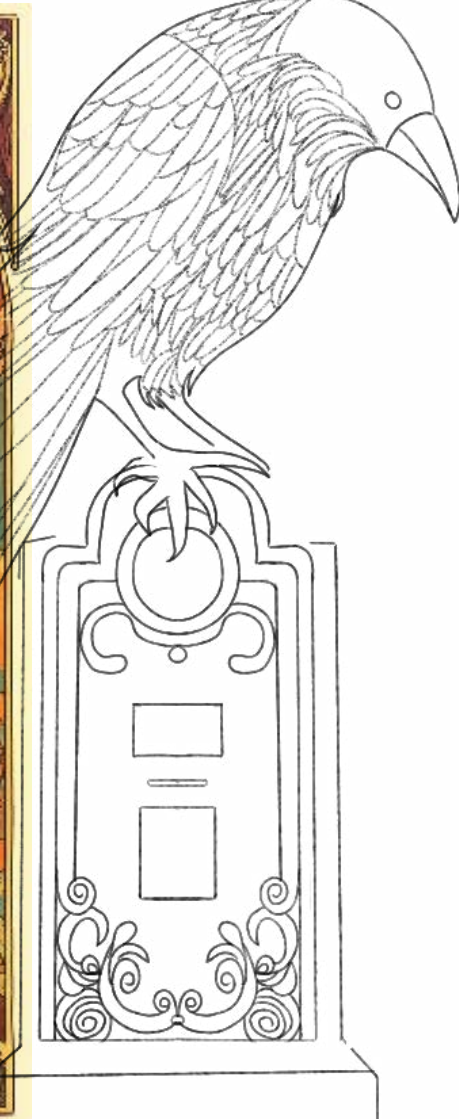
The raven watches over endings that become beginnings. This card reminds you that life moves in cycles—what ends now will begin again in a new form. Release what is over without fear.

Guidance:
Let go. Trust the process. New life always follows what seems like an end.

Upright ·
Embrace and
Embrace
God, Divine
Order, Purpose

God represents a higher plan at work. Even in endings, there is meaning and direction. This card brings peace—assuring you that nothing is truly lost, but transformed as part of a greater whole.

Guidance:
Trust. You are exactly where you need to be. Every step is part of a larger journey.



God does not prevent the storm, but assures the dawn that follows it.

The raven knows: every ending is a seed. Buried in darkness, it already holds the promise of light.

The Memories

Keywords: Legacy, Connection, Love, Identity

What we hold in our hearts outlives time. This isn't about living in the past—it's about carrying forward what matters. Their laughter in your stories, their wisdom in your choices—that's how love stays real.

Guidance:
Talk about them. Keep them close that way. Don't just remember—let what they loved shape how you live.



The Memories



The Forgetting

The Forgetting

True Death · Erasure · Silence

To forget is to erase. When his face fades from memory, his voice vanishes from stories, he is truly gone. This is the final death—not of the body, but of existence in the hearts of others.

Guidance:
Remember him. Say his name. Fight the silence that swallows souls.

He disappeared twice: first from life, then from memory.



Final Death

Keywords: Oblivion | Abandonment | Final Death | Unmourned

The stone is cracked, the name worn away. No flowers rest here. No stories remain. This is the ultimate end—when even memory has died, and the world moves on as if a soul never was.

Guidance:

Do not let this be their fate. Remember. Even a whisper of their name defies the silence.

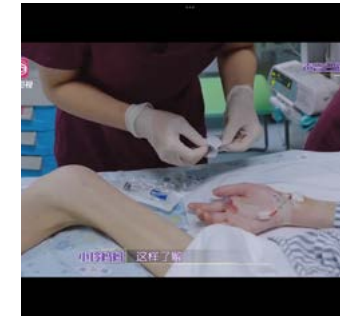
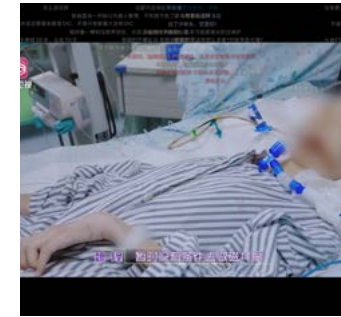
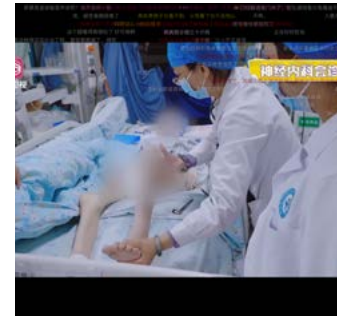
The last death is not marked by a date, but by the moment his name is spoken for the final time.

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A high school girl started starving herself after a boy she liked told her she was "a bit fat." She stopped eating enough and became dangerously thin. Her body slowly shut down, and doctors couldn't save her. In the end, her mother had to let her go. The boy never came to see her in the hospital.



Inspiration board



The front is my Grand grandfather, who passed away in 2012 due to stomach cancer. My grandma also gone in 2023.

Some of the stories in this work draw inspiration from my own personal experiences.



