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(1) Near-Death News



Archive of NDEs in the News - Read all the major news articles concerning the NDE and related phenomena from 1995 to current. This is a permanent archive to ensure that these news articles will always be available on the internet. The Near-Death News section of this Near-Death Newsletter will soon be available in syndication so stay tuned!

News From P.M.H. Atwater

(February 2006)

P.M.H. Atwater






Dr. Atwater is back on tour promoting her latest book, [Beyond the Indigo Children: The New Children and the Coming of the Fifth World](#). There will be a delay while she looks over her accumulated e-mail. But she will try to keep up with her [correspondence](#). And is available for [consultations](#), [readings](#), [talks](#), [workshops](#), or her [Prayer Chaplaincy service](#).

LATEST HEADLINES FROM P.M.H.:

- [Beyond the Indigo Children - P.M.H. Atwater Makes Rare SW Appearance](#)
- [The Best Article on the Near-Death Experience I Have Ever Read](#)
- [Kenneth Ring turns 70](#)
- [The Effect of Human Thought and Emotions on Weather Patterns](#)
- [The Planetary Peace Gathering](#)
- [Books For People In Prison - Please Help!](#)
- [Free Mandalas for Creative Spirits](#)

EBOOK FREEBIES FROM P.M.H.:

- [Beyond the Indigo Children "Extras"](#) 
- [The Challenge of Sept 11](#) 
- [Dr. P.M.H. Atwater: Her Contributions to the Understanding of Life and Death](#) 

WHAT'S NEW ON P.M.H.'S WEBSITE:

- [Actual Case of a NDE: "Dan – An End to Addiction"](#)
- [Mike & Ellen Patterson's "The Peace Room" at NDE-Related Marketplace](#)
- [Rev. Jeanne Greening: Natural Health Counselor/Practitioner at NDE-Related Marketplace](#)
- [Article by P.M.H.: "Earth Changes Have Begun"](#)
- [Upcoming Radio/Online Interviews](#)

[IANDS Spiritual Retreat for Near-Death Experiencers to be Held on April 17-20, 2006, at Mercy Center, St. Louis, Missouri](#)

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This retreat is open to near-death experiencers who wish to come together in a peaceful setting to talk about issues related to coming back and other topics of concern to NDEs. Sign-up at [this IANDS web page](#). Registration deadline is **March 15th, 2006**. Price includes room, breakfast, lunch, dinner and workshops. [\[Read more here\]](#)

Related items of interest:

- **Website:** [Mercy Center Conference/Retreat at St. Louis, MO](#)
- **Directions:** [Mercy Center directions](#) and [Google Maps directions](#)

[2006 IANDS Annual North American Conference to be Held on October 24-29, in Houston, Texas](#)

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The first day of the conference will focus on the needs and interests of the medical community. Greater effort will be made to appeal to physicians and nurses, and other health-care providers. The remaining three days will cover the gamut of near-death experiences, their aftereffects and implications. The public is invited. Details given when available. Advance information can be obtained through the IANDS

office in Connecticut: phone **(860) 882-1211** or email office@iands.org. [\[Read more here\]](#)

Related items of interest:

- **Website:** [IANDS Conference web page](#)
- **Email:** [Subscribe to IANDS Mailing List to be notified for more info](#)

[New IANDS Multimedia Downloads Now Available](#)

(CD-ROMs, Audiocassettes, PDFs, and MP3s)

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You can now purchase IANDS Conference presentations from the following years: **2005** ([download](#) or [CD-ROM](#)), **2004** ([download](#) or [audiocassettes](#)), **2003** ([download](#) or [audiocassettes](#)), **2001** ([download](#) or [audiocassettes](#)), **2000** ([download](#) or [audiocassettes](#)), **1999** ([audiocassettes](#)), **1998** ([download](#) or [audiocassettes](#)), **1997** ([audiocassettes](#)), **1996** ([audiocassettes](#)), **1995**

([audiocassettes](#)), **1994** ([audiocassettes](#)), and **1993** ([audiocassettes](#)). Also available from IANDS include: [NDE Research CD-ROMs](#), free downloadable [NDE Brochures](#), [Selected Bibliography of Near-Death Experiences](#), [Near-Death Experiences: Index to the Periodical Literature through 2001](#), and the [Journal of Near-Death Studies](#). [\[Read more here\]](#)

Related items of interest:

- **Website:** [IANDS Online Store](#)
- **Website:** [IANDS Resources page](#)

[Brief Encounters of a Different Kind](#)

(The NDE of Diane Willis)

(January 30, 2006)

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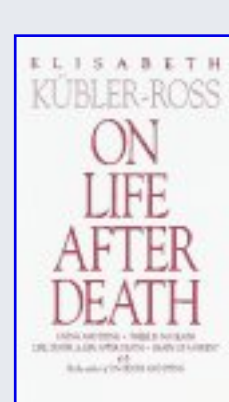
In 1994, Diane Willis was sitting at home reading the Chicago Tribune when it happened. The article she was reading, "*Beyond the crystal ball*" by Marya Smith about local psychic and spiritual author [Sonia Choquette](#), began to do something Willis hadn't expected ... Willis had a near-death experience without having been injured or hospitalized. This event, as well as others, would later influence her to found the Chicago chapter of the International Association of Near-Death Studies ... Through a series of events, Willis discovered Transitions, a spiritual bookstore, and decided to visit it one day when she had time. Upon arriving at the store, she found out that [Sonia Choquette](#) was going to be speaking and signing copies of her book "[The Psychic Pathway](#)" that following Sunday. [\[Read more\]](#)

Related items of interest:

- [Website: The Official Site of Diane Willis](#)

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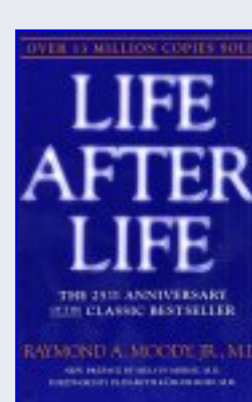
NDE Books



[On Life After Death](#)

by **Elizabeth Kubler-Ross**

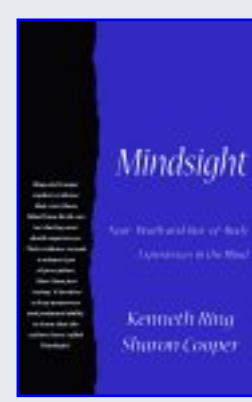
This is the world-famous best-seller by the woman who popularized the field of thanatology as a subject for general social commentary.



[Life After Life](#)

by **Raymond Moody**

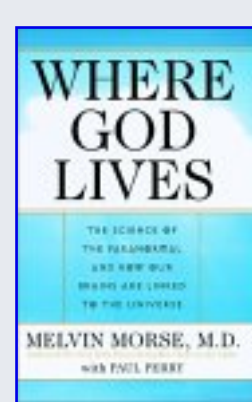
Dr. Moody investigated more than 100 case studies of people who experienced an NDE and in 1975 published this best-seller.



[Mindsight](#)

by **Kenneth Ring, et al.**

Dr. Ring and associates investigated the astonishing claim that blind persons, including those blind from birth, can actually "see" during an NDE. They present their findings in scrupulous detail and include fascinating case histories.



[Where God Lives](#)

by **Melvin Morse**

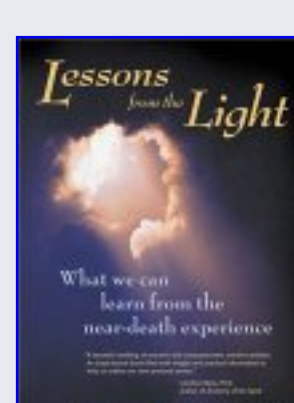
Dr. Morse presents the scientific evidence of life after death which is being overlooked by skeptics such as the existence of a location in our brains that communicates with God and the universe.



[Light and Death](#)

by **Michael Sabom**

Dr. Sabom combined scientific research and dramatic narrative in the first book to seriously explore the relationship between the NDE and traditional Christian experience.



[Lessons from the Light](#)

by **Kenneth Ring, Evelyn Elsaesser Valarino**

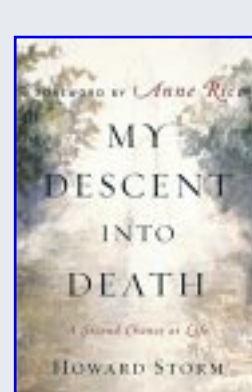
An outstanding book that presents intriguing evidence to support the theory that NDEs are an authentic, objective experience, and not the hallucination of a dying brain.

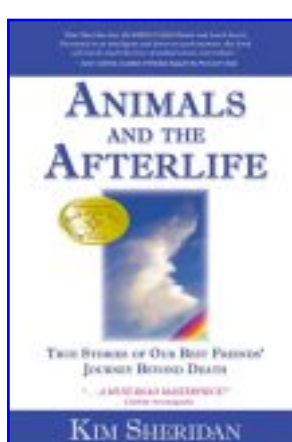


[Blessing in Disguise](#)

by **Barbara Rommer**

Even the most horrifying NDEs are a spiritual wake-up call that causes the person to stop, look back, and review past choices which makes it the ultimate life experience.





Do animals have souls? What happens when they die? This subject has been the author's lifelong passion, and she has made it her personal quest to find the answers. Along with her own experiences, she has compiled the extraordinary experiences of ordinary people that provides overwhelming evidence that their does exist an afterlife for pets and animals. Today she is a highly respected and sought after expert on this subject. Much of her time is devoted not only to animals but to those who are left behind when they pass. Kim's book provides reassurance to anyone who has ever lost a beloved pet and provides insight into the animal kingdom's place in the larger scheme of things - both on Earth and in the spirit realm. [\[Read more here\]](#)

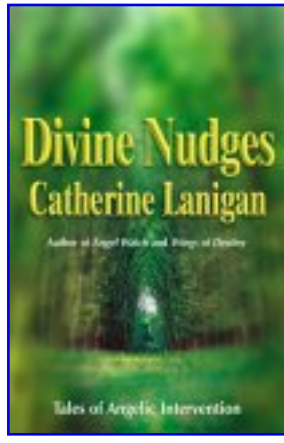
■ Related items of interest:

- **Articles:** [NDEs and Animals on Near-death.com](#)
- **Website:** [The Official Site of Kim Sheridan](#)

✚ ["Divine Nudges: Tales of Angelic Intervention"](#)

by **Author**

(Availability: Now)



In a series of illuminating tales, Lanigan takes us through the incredible ways in which angels have brought her family and friends to a greater awareness of the unseen world. Lanigan shares her own near-death experience, the miraculous cure of her brother who was in perilous circumstances but narrowly escaped, and a visit from the afterlife by her grandmother, along with other tales of ghosts and angels. Through these experiences, we learn we are not alone and we are always protected. Be they angels, or loved ones who have become angels, these forces in our lives renew our faith in the divine. [\[Read more here\]](#)

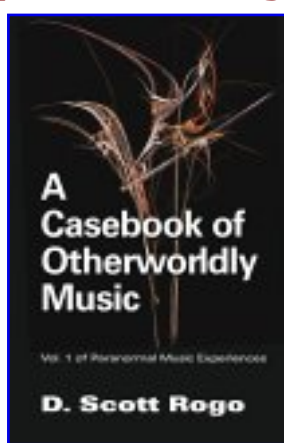
■ Related items of interest:

- **Article:** [Author biography of Catherine Lanigan](#)
- **Book:** [All Titles by Catherine Lanigan](#)

✚ ["A Casebook of Otherworldly Music"](#)

by **D. Scott Rogo**

(Availability: Now)



This book is a unique examination of an often-neglected subject: psychic music. The book was originally titled "*NAD: A Study of Some Unusual "Other World" Experiences.*" What is NAD? It's a Sanskrit term signifying transcendental, astral, psychic, or paranormal music - music heard from no apparent source. This book is Vol. 1 of "Paranormal Music Experiences." Vol. 2 is entitled "A Psychic Study of the Music of the Spheres." Also recently released is another book by Rogo called "*The Search for Yesterday*" which offers a critical and scientific examination of reincarnation. [\[Read more here\]](#)

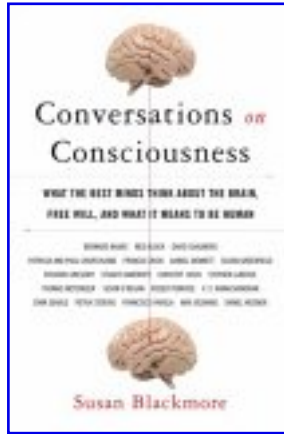
■ Related items of interest:

- **Article:** [A Tribute to the late D. Scott Rogo](#)
- **Website:** ["Some Personal Thoughts on Survival" by D. Scott Rogo](#)
- **Book:** [All Titles by D. Scott Rogo](#)

✚ ["Conversations on Consciousness: What the Best Minds Think about the Brain, Free Will, and What It Means to Be Human"](#)

by **Susan Blackmore**

(Availability: Now)



NDE skeptic [Susan Blackmore](#) began conducting interviews with leading figures in the study of consciousness for a proposed (but never realized) radio series. Here in book form, organized alphabetically, are 20 transcripts with scientists such as the late [Francis Crick](#), [Daniel Dennett](#), [Roger Penrose](#), [David Chalmers](#), [Stuart Hameroff](#), [Thomas Metzinger](#), [Stephen LaBerge](#), [Ned Block](#), [Max Velmans](#), and others.

Blackmore asks, What's the problem with consciousness? Why does it differ from other targets of scientific inquiry? Blackmore also asks them why they chose to study consciousness. Several refer to a fascination

with altered states of consciousness. Many abandoned fruitful research careers in other areas to pursue these questions. Perhaps the most extreme case is that of Francis Crick, a physicist who won the Nobel Prize by decoding DNA's structure and then at age 60 turned his attention to consciousness work for a quarter of a century. Crick's interview by Blackmore was his last; he died shortly thereafter, in July 2004. [\[Read more here\]](#)

■ Related items of interest:

- **Article:** [Susan Blackmore on near-death.com](#)
- **Website:** [The Official Site of Susan Blackmore](#)
- **Book:** [All Titles by Susan Blackmore](#)

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✚ [International Association of Near-Death Studies website](#)



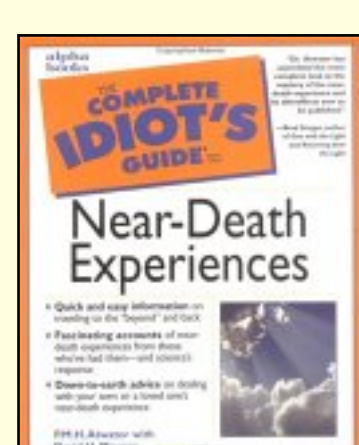
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becoming a member. You will also be receiving the only scholarly journal

in NDE studies, the [Journal of Near-Death Studies](#). Visit their website by checking out the excellent links below.

✚ [Get a free copy of "The Complete Idiot's Guide to the Near-Death Experience when you join IANDS.](#) P.

M.H. Atwater's 480-page book has been called the "Encyclopedia of the NDE." This offer is good while supplies last. Go to IANDS's join page for more information about becoming a member.



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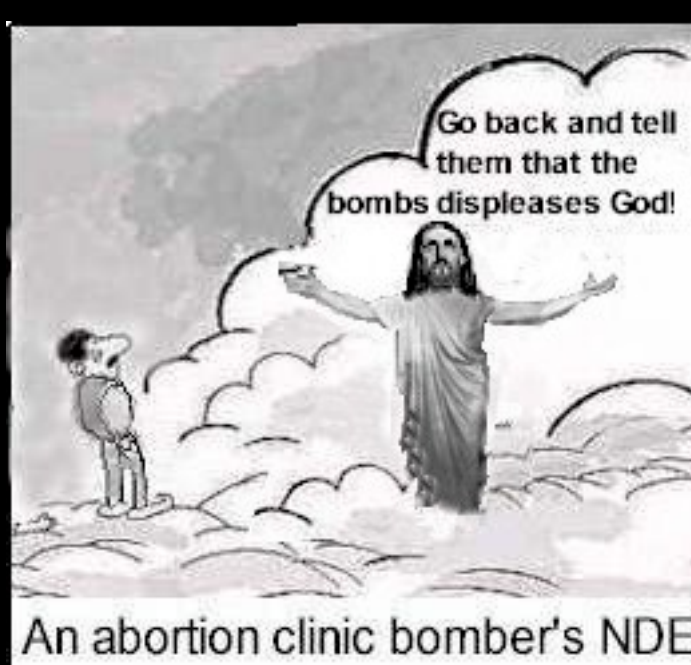
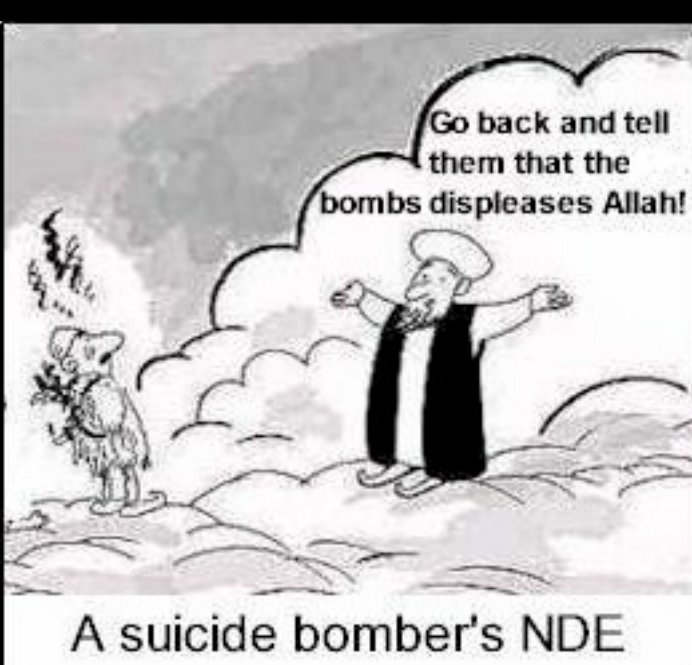
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"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. Hate multiplies hate, violence multiplies violence, and toughness multiplies toughness, in a descending spiral of destruction. The chain reaction of evil must be broken, or we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation." - **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

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