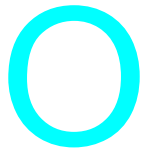


How to get out  
of the afterlife  
if you aren't  
actually dead

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Once upon a time: I jump off a cliff. I've just

been surrounded by bees. Of course the bees loved me but they love stung me. Bees often love me. Poppy says that's my super power. And he also says that's my older sister Alisha's weakness. As I fall, I find some wasps. Hanging out with wasps is my weakness, and Alisha's power. According to Poppy at least.

Huh? What the heck? I'm in my bed! That was all a dream! I get up to steal a drink of Dr.pepper. Dr.pepper always comforts me. Yesterday (it's 3:50 a.m.) my Granpop passed away from alzheimers disease. He was 75 years 3 months 2 weeks 3 days 5 hours 16 minutes and ten seconds old. I found that out yesterday at 5:15.p.m.

I go downstairs to the kitchen. I open the fridge. It's so big that the Dr. Pepper is in the back. Suddenly, I accidentally walk through a portal. I fall for what feels like hours but is probably just 5 minutes. I did get the Dr. Pepper. Suddenly, I land in grandpops arms.

He's sobbing. Remember how I said that the first part was a dream? The context was a dream. But Alisha actually exists. And she gave Granpop a whole bunch of Dr. Pepper which is why there was a portal. Granpop sob's so much that it feels like I just got out of lake Huron. Maya!(thats my name) Sobs Granpop.Thank god you're here! I've searched Canada for you!(I live in Canada ).(quebec) "What are you doing here?" I ask. "I thought you were dead!"

"Of course I am!" says Granpop. "Where are we?" I ask. "The afterlife."

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afterlife!

(curses:@#\$%&) So I'm dead? I ask.Yes and no.

Yes part:I'm "in" a dead zone

No part:My time is not up

So let me get this straight. I'm alive but "in" The afterlife. Yes. Will you help me get out of the afterlife? If you help me set up a spot for your Grams to appear when she dies,then happily.

Where should we do so. I ask. La Mauricie national park, afterlife. But were in Quebec city. So? So how do we get there?

Well, we will just take a carriage.

Are there even horses in the human afterlife?

Of course!

Are they dead?

Yes.

Well, will they take an alive person on their back?

No.

Shoot!

Just kidding. Of course they will!

Will it work?

We'll see.

In fact, they do. I actually enjoy riding horses usually, but these ones are above all the clouds and I don't want to fall onto stone because I live by these cliffs. Well, I mean, Granpop did. Granpop I say, are we above your house? Grandpop laughs for the rest of the way there and another 5 hours after. No silly, this was my horse who

passed away after running away. Granpop lived on a farm. My horse's name is knockout. Granpop's is Kickbutt Jr. The hero president who is not very nice that grandpap still voted for in the before life.

The before life is where you go before you are born. The afterlife is where you go after you die. And life is where you go while you are alive. But you probably knew all that.

Granpop, I say, I have to go to the bathroom. That's a problem because nobody needs to go to the bathroom in the afterlife.

We're there! Suddenly, Knockout slides to a halt. He just got hit by a bow and arrow. I pull out the arrow and aim it at the person who shot it as best as I can. Suddenly I also find a bow that he threw at Knockouts face. I pick it up and fire. Ohhaho ohockile.

Granpop, how different is the afterlife from Canada? Well, I'm still Canadian... and so are you. But thats

not on topic. Oh right, sorry (I have a habit of changing the topic at the wrong times).

Well then, will Knockout survive? Knockout is already dead. So does that bow and arrow hurt him? It might give him a little cut. Can I get onto Kickbutt Jr. then? Well we're there. I mean on the way back. Yes. And will Kickbutt Jr. pull knockout home? Knockout will be ... actually it will be a rather big cut, so I like your idea. Can we just get that hole for Grams to appear ready? Yes.

We are at the front desk of la marice national park. 50 Tindles please. What's a Tindle? Afterlife currency. How much is it in Canada? \$6.34 point 5.

Maya, here is 100 tindles in one bill. Wow! Thanks granpop! And thats not even all. Look in there. Oh my god, theres a thousand in there! And theres 63 tiddles. Looks like I'll be here for a while.

To be continued...

