

Katherine has a Shared Death Experience

Glimpses of Eternity, Raymond Moody, MD

Martha was in the hospital with a failing heart. Her friend Katherine came to stay with her. When it was obvious Martha was close to death Katherine got into bed with her and hugged her friend as she waited to die. Before long, Martha's heart did give out. Katherine said she felt a jolt of energy as her friend died, and she responded reflexively by squeezing her friend's chest, which restarted her heart. Soon Martha was back to life and angry with Katherine.

"I'm ready to go," she barked. "Get out of bed and don't try to start my heart again." Katherine crawled out and sat on a chair next to the bed. Within an hour, Katherine ... noticed that Martha had nearly stopped breathing. As Katherine listened even more closely, she began to hear a buzzing in her own ear, which grew louder and louder. Then, Katherine told the doctor, she was no longer in her own body.

"I was suddenly walking up a hill with Martha and we were surrounded by light. Not an ordinary light, but everything around us—plants, the ground, even the sky, glowed with its own light. It was unbelievably beautiful. I am sure this place was heaven or some place like it, because there was a feeling that was wonderful. I honestly felt fifty years younger!"

"Ahead of us I could see her dead husband and other deceased relatives, and they were all coming down this hill to meet her. The terrain and plants of the hill were wonderful. Everything was shockingly green and carried a glow that I couldn't keep my eyes off of. Martha was moving quite nicely up the hill and soon she gave me a push on the arm that meant to me that I should stop, and I did. Then the buzzing in my ears stopped and I felt myself return to my body right here at the hospital.