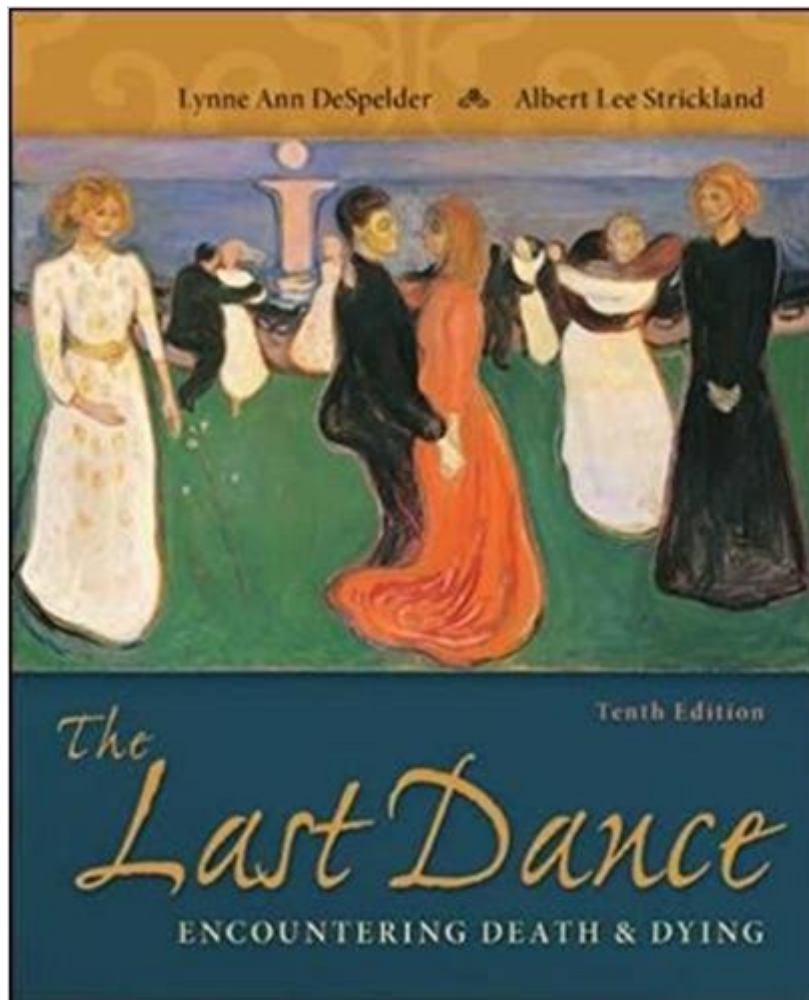




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# The Last Dance: Encountering Death And Dying (B&B Psychology)



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I actually had the opportunity to take this class with the author being my professor. It just so happens she is retiring this semester as well. I absolutely love this book and the way she teaches it. Lynne and her husband(Albert) have opened up my eyes on the world of death and dying and the cultural differences around it. I think that anyone who reads the book with an open-mind will come out of it with a different perspective on life. This comes from a 23 y.o. girl who lost her mother when she was 19.

I needed to download this for a class. I will say one thing I love about downloading ebooks on here, and that's the ability to highlight text. This comes in really helpful for studying for a test. Also, you can go to any page, or search by term, etc. There are a lot of nice extras when downloading from . You can also make digital flashcards, but I prefer to write out my flashcards. The book itself was excellent, it not only changed how I look at death, but made it an easier subject to talk about. I especially enjoyed learning about other cultures and how they deal with death. I am pleasantly surprised at just how interesting this textbook was.

I was required to rent this textbook for my Sociology of Death and Dying class at Ohio State (this class is highly recommended; I enjoy it so much and learn a lot) and it provides me with much information. This book covers topics like cultural attitudes about death, socialization about death, end of life decisions, funerals and body disposition, suicides and homicides, and much more. The text is balanced out by plenty of pictures and diagrams and quotes. My specific rental came in great condition: no marks, writing or highlighting. This book isn't bulky or heavy; it's easy to carry along with you in a backpack or purse.

This book, like many other textbooks, was long and packed full of information. I don't know about you, but being forced to read chapter after chapter in x-amount of short days is stressful. While I certainly don't remember everything I read, I did leave my course with greater knowledge on the subject. I grew a little more because of this book.

Was a very interest textbook and learned a lot of things including things I never thought to prepare for.

Had to buy this for a class. Very insightful on the topic of death. Even if I wasn't taking the class, I would still recommend thumbing through this book. It covers some pretty general topics of death and dying from both perspectives, as well as jumping into some deeper, more concentrated topics of death and dying

Easy read, engaging text, graphics throughout the chapters. Death is a distant thing, but I'm incredibly thankful for this book by DeSpelder that broke down cultural dealings with deaths and educated me on so many different aspects of death I never gave a second thought.

This is actually a pretty good read. I did not think I was going to like it considering I got it for a college read, but I was pleasantly surprised!

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