Death and the Digital Afterlife Resources

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What We Read

- [Beliefs about Life and Death in Unitarian Universalism](#), at UUA.org.
- [An Outline of Different Cultural Beliefs at Time of Death](#), a booklet published by Loddon Mallee Regional Palliative Care Consortium in Australia.
- Disrupting Death: Technologists Explore Ways to Digitize Life ([NBC News, 2017](#))
- The Dead May Outnumber the Living on Facebook in 50 Years (*[Hyperallergic](#)*, 2019)
- Will Holograms Help Us Grieve? ([Zócalo Public Square, 2020](#))
- Data of the dead: Virtual immortality exposes holes in privacy laws ([Reuters, 2020](#))

Resources for Further Reading

- Chatbots that resurrect the dead: legal experts weigh in on 'disturbing' technology (*[The Conversation](#)*, 2021)
- Death Is a High-Tech Trip in Japan's Futuristic Cemeteries (*[Vice](#)*, 2016)
- Why You Should Believe in the Digital Afterlife *([The Atlantic](#)*, 2016)
- Digital Messages for Loved Ones From Beyond the Grave (*[New York Times](#)*, 2015)
- Immortal but Damned to Hell on Earth (*[The Atlantic](#)*, 2015)
- [The Order of the Good Death](#)
- [Right to be forgotten](#) & [post-mortem privacy](#)

Recommended by Group Members

- Death doulas help people die comfortably. In a pandemic, they're more important than ever ([CNN, 2021](#))
- AI project lets Holocaust survivors share their stories forever ([CBS News, 2020](#))
- How Should We Honor Our Dead? 'From Here To Eternity' Imagines A Better Way ([WBUR, 2017](#))
- *Permutation City* - Greg Egan
- *Still Life With Woodpecker* - Tom Robbins
- *I Am a Strange Loop* - Douglas Hofstadter
- *The Mind's I: Fantasies and Reflections on Self and Soul* - collection of essays edited by Douglas Hofstadter and Daniel Dennett