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Subject: Terri Shiavo

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.Quote:Not necessarily true. We know where the body interacts with the consciousness and we know what factors may affect the consciousness, but no doctor in the world knows where the conscious IS. It is unfair to assume it is where we can grasp it, and judge Terri's life based on that. For all any of us know, she is still in that shell attempting to communicate but can't

I agree. There is no way of knowing what makes a person conscious. i was reading about stephen hawking. He has motor neurone disease and can barely move or interact with the outside world. yet he is one of the smartest people on earth. Surely there are tests for activity of — brain waves, electrical activity — were they done on this woman?

I would hate to think of such an end. Dying and not being able to tell any one. But I would also hate to be kept alive with no chance of getting better.

Just thinking about this is depressing enough, but knowing that one day I might have to go through it myself, that terrifies me. I think its time to update my will. I'm 21 and I have written 3 so far.

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