

## The Plaids and the Pallbearer

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June was in her mid-30s when she elected to undergo what was supposed to be routine gall-bladder surgery. The routine was shattered when her heart stopped beating. As the doctors were attempting to resuscitate her, June sensed herself rising from her physical body and moving out into a hospital corridor where she encountered a few of her friends and family members who had gathered quickly. (The hospital was within a short walk of their home in northeastern Alabama.) She attempted to attract their attention but failed. Her strongest memory of the group is that her daughter was dressed in mismatched plaids.

Moving on down the corridor, June came upon her brother-in-law. As she was attempting to communicate with him, a friend of his happened along and asked him why he was there. In answer, she heard her brother-in-law say that he had intended to visit an uncle who lived out-of-town, but now he thought he should stick around because June was going to “kick the bucket” and he might be needed as a pallbearer.

Next, June found herself having a typical NDE-tunnel experience at the end of which she encountered two translucent beings, one of whom was an infant. To her inquiry as to their identity, the infant peeled back his outer covering as one might take off a bathrobe and transformed into an adult male. “I am your brother,” he stated. As far as June knew, she only had sisters.

Upon regaining consciousness, June discussed these events with her family and discovered that they all checked out. Her father confessed that his first child was a boy who died within a few days of birth and was never mentioned within the family. Her brother-in-law confirmed that he had been standing apart from the others when his friend came along and he sheepishly admitted to making the remark about being a pallbearer. And, when questioned about the mismatched plaids, June’s maid said that in her rush to get the family to the hospital, she had grabbed the top two items in the daughter’s laundry basket (not heeding their patterns) and told her to get dressed.

June’s testimony was confirmed independently in interviews Dr. Raymond Moody held with June’s surgeon, her father, her brother-in-law, and her maid.

### Discussion

More details and an analysis of this case may be found on pages 27-30 of [The Survival Files](#).

### ESS Score

The CS rating is “ee” CS = 101.

With a bonus point in recognition of the interviewer’s sterling reputation, the WR rating is “k” (64 pts) plus bonus (5 pts) for multiple interviewees, WR = 69.

The IC rating is “q”. IC = 0.7.

Total ESS Score:  $101 + 69 + .7 = 170.7$

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