

YOU CAN KEEP THE WINGS

I USED TO SPEND A FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME THINKING ON "MORTALITY",
AND I'M SURE THAT YOU HAVE DONE THE SAME AS WELL.
AND I'M NOT AFRAID TO SHARE WITH YOU
WHAT'S ALWAYS BEEN A FEAR FOR ME:
THAT EVER SINCE THE 6TH GRADE WHEN I
PULLED THAT STUNT ON JENNIFER MCMILIHAN WITH THE MODELING CLAY..
WELL, I WAS REALLY KINDA WORRIED THAT I MIGHT END UP IN HELL!
SO I SPENT A LOT OF TIME, AND EFFORT,
WORKING TO REROUTE MY DESTINY!
AND NOW I KNOW I'M DOING IT RIGHT,
BECAUSE JUST YESTERDAY MY FATE WAS ALL MADE CLEAR TO ME:

I WAS IN HEAVEN
FROM 12 NOON TO 12:11
I KNOW! IT REALLY HAPPENED THIS I SWEAR
IN MY FERRARI AS I SPED,
I HIT THE BRAKES AND "BONKED" MY HEAD
AND IN A FLASH AND IN A SPARKLE I WAS THERE!

IT WAS QUIET, IT WAS CLOUDY,
AND THE OUTFITS WERE QUITE DOWDY,
AND I COULD FAINTLY HEAR A CHOIR AND A HARP.
AS I STRAINED TO LISTEN IN
I FOUND OUT TO MY CHAGRIN
THAT THE ALTITUDE HAD MADE THEM SLIGHT SHARP! AHG!

AND IF THAT WEREN'T BAD ENOUGH
I HAD ARRIVED WITHOUT MY STUFF!
AND I FELT SOMETHING GROWING FROM MY SHOULDER BLADES
NOT TO SCOFF AT THINGS THEURGIC,
BUT TO FEATHERS I'M ALLERGIC,
SO I FLOATED TO THE FELLA AT THE GATE...

Uh, you , in the robe, uh, Peter is it? Listen , I'm thinking..

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I'M SURE THIS PLACE IS NOT FOR ME
THERE ARE SO MANY EARTHLY THINGS
THAT I AM MISSING, CAN'T YOU SEE?
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STAY IN HERE? I'D RATHER DIE-
Ok, well, technically...

WELL, WHAT I MEAN TO SAY:
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WELL I THINK THAT I CONFUSED HIM,
HEY, HOW MANY FOLKS REFUSE HIM?
AND OF COURSE I KNOW HE HAS A JOB TO DO,
SO I JUST FLASHED THE PEARLY WHITES,
AND I EXPLAINED WITH ALL MY MIGHT
THAT I AM REALLY JUST AN EARTH GIRL THROUGH AND THROUGH!

WELL MY SMILE WAS NOT CONTAGIOUS.
HEY! THAT PETER GUY'S TENACIOUS!
HE TOOK MY HAND AND SAID "MY DEAR YOU'RE WRONG,
FOR YOUR DEAR LOST FAMILY MEMBERS,
WHOSE EARTHLY LIVES HAVE ENDED,
ARE ALL WAITING LETS GO MEET THE WELCOMING THRONG!"

Whoa, whoa, Pete! Sidebar. Are you telling me that I am going to be spending the rest of eternity with Aunt Minerva and cousin Skip the Card Trick King?.... In that case, really

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THEY JUST DON'T FIT MY VIBE SOMEHOW!
MAYBE YOU CAN PULL SOME STRINGS
AND GET ME OUT OF HERE RIGHT NOW?
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IT'S NOT WHAT I THOUGHT IT'D BE...

I mean I thought my heaven would be the kind with the free-flowing melon-ball shooters, and all the men looked like Omar Shariff- No offense Pete- Not that you're not a looker! Not that I was looking at you that way! Agh!

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AND SUDDENLY THERE CAME SUCH THUNDER
AND I HEARD THIS BOOMING VOICE CALL
"HEY PETE, WE MADE A BLUNDER,
THIS IS NOT HER TIME AT ALL!

We were supposed to be bringing up a Jennifer McMillihan"!

Oh, it's an easy mistake, she and I have always been very close, hey, when I get back, I can give her a little heads-up if you want... or not.

YOU CAN BET I WAS ELATED
WHEN THIS TWIST OF FATE WAS FATED
AND ALTHOUGH TO SAY THE LEAST THE TRIP WAS ODD
I WAS TRANSPORTED BACK TO EARTH
WITH ALL ITS MAYHEM AND ITS MIRTH
AND WHEN I SAW MY
STEERING WHEEL I THOUGHT "THANK GOD"-
OH! THANK GOD!

Oh, and while I have you here for just one minute, I have to tell you know that, well, even though your place could use a little "sprucing-up", that floating, weightlessness thing? Primo. Keep that. As for the rest of it...

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MY SWANKY STYLE THEY'RE CLEARLY NOT
OH AND AS FOR THAT MISTAKE THING
THINK IT FORGIVEN AND FORGOT -
I KNOW YOU'RE INTO THAT!
JUST CAN KEEP THE WINGS
TIL I'M OLDER, BORED AND GREY
CAUSE IT SURELY HOLDS NO SWAY
TO GO THE OTHER WAY -
HEAT DOES HORRIBLE THINGS TO MY HAIR
SO FOR NOW
YOU CAN KEEP-
AND GIVE MY BEST TO PETE
YOU CAN KEEP-

In fact if you want to you can put them in a little ziplock with my name on them, and I can have them when I get up there later!

-THE WINGS!