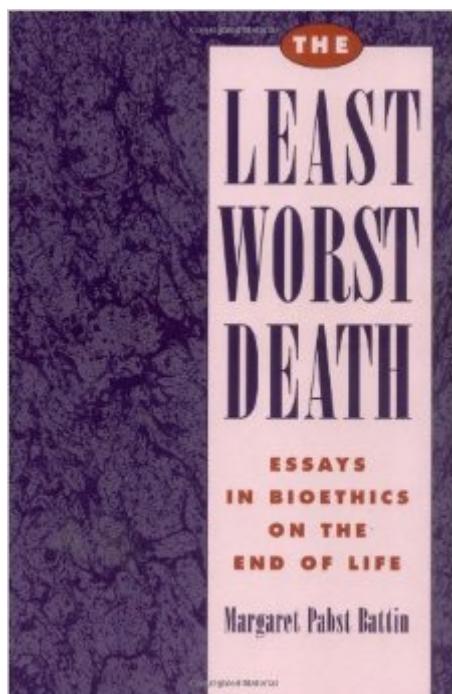


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Engagingly written by one of the foremost experts on issues involving death and dying, this book offers insight into the controversial and often difficult topics of withdrawing and withholding care, euthanasia, and suicide. An extensive introduction identifies the principal ethical issues, and the book explores such dilemmas as rationing health care for the elderly, whether there is a "duty to die," counseling in rational suicide, the risks of abuse with active euthanasia, religious views about suicide, whether suicide can be understood as a fundamental human right, and others. It also examines the differing practices of Holland and Germany in ending life. Exploring the dilemmas raised by contemporary medicine concerning the way die, and collecting under one cover a myriad of crucial elements involving one of the most inflammatory issues of our time, *The Least Worst Death* presents a timely, international analysis for anyone interested in bioethics or medical and applied ethics.

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Margaret Battin is a philosopher who has brought more clarity to thinking about the different ways cultures deal with death than anyone in the field. Not only this, she has taken the trouble to look at the actual processes of dying with a clear view of the issues at stake both for populations and for individuals. Once one realizes that many deaths won't be "cakewalks" (excuse the expression), one can see why she chose the title "The Least Worst Death" for her book. Actually a huge proportion of deaths are from long-term degenerative diseases; an equally large proportion occur in hospitals or

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