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# Quotes about Epitaphs

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Don't pity me now, don't pity me never; I'm going to do nothing for ever and ever.

- Agate, James

The epitaphs on tombstones of a great many people should read: Died at thirty, and buried at sixty.

- Butler, Nicholas

Posterity will never survey a nobler grave than this: here lie the bones of Castlereagh: stop, traveler, and piss.

- Byron, Lord

Nor has his death the world deceiv'd than his wondrous life surpris'd; if he like a madman liv'd least he like a wise one dy'd.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

An epitaph is a belated advertisement for a line of goods that has been discontinued.

- Cobb, Irvin S.

Green leaves on a dead tree is our epitaph -- green leaves, dear reader, on a dead tree.

- Connolly, Cyril

Reading the epitaphs, our only salvation lies in resurrecting the dead and burying the living.

- Eldridge, Paul

Let no man write my epitaph; for as no man who knows my motives dare now vindicate them, let not prejudice or ignorance asperse them. Let them rest in obscurity and peace! Let my memory be left in oblivion, my tomb remain uninscribed, until other times and other men can do justice to my character.

- Emmet, Robert

And were an epitaph to be my story I'd have a short one ready for my own. I would have written of me on my stone: I had a lover's quarrel with the world.

- Frost, Robert

Oh, write of me, not Died in bitter pains, but Emigrated to another star!

- Jackson, Helen Hunt

In lapidary inscriptions a man is not upon oath.

- Johnson, Samuel

The most touching epitaph I ever encountered was on the tombstone of the printer of Edinburgh. It said simply: He kept down the cost and set the type right.

- Nunn, Gregory

If men could see the epitaphs their friends write they would believe they had gotten into the wrong grave.

- Proverb, American

At last God caught his eye.

- Secombe, Harry

When I die, my epitaph should read: She Paid the Bills. That's the story of my private life.

- Swanson, Gloria





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