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Someone memorialized my Facebook profile but I'm still alive!

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Apparently, it's pretty easy to memorialize someone's Facebook profile. I am greeted with the following message *after* entering my *valid* and *correct* username and password:

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Account Inaccessible This account is in a special memorial state. If you have any questions or concerns, please visit the Help Center for further information.



Help Center is useless as it only contains instructions on memorializing it. There are a number of blogs going back several years of persons who are victims of this particular kind of abuse. Apparently, you need my date of birth (which friends or friends with hacked accounts have access to) and a fake obituary (because no one at Facebook really reads them apparently).

The best part is that you can't actually contact them in any expedited way to protest. In fact, I sent an email to get a bunch of useless links that I'd already looked at.

Can anyone that has fallen into this entertaining conundrum offer some advice?

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92 Are you sure you're still alive? – user15196 Jun 22, 2012 at 22:36

6 Typical for Facebook just to memorialize accounts without even thinking about verifying anything. A simple mail to you and a delay of let's say a week could have prevented lot's of cases where people got memorialized as a joke. – Steven Roose Jun 22, 2012 at 23:32

2 The link Erik posted is the correct form to get this fixed. Thanks for raising the issue - I've started a discussion for how we can make this experience better in the future for other people. – user21391 Jun 22, 2012 at 23:47 ✎