

Inquiry Name: Inquiry into End of Life Choices

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I Didn't Love My Mother Enough To Kill Her

Eleven years ago, my mother had a stroke and took seven months to die. As her principle carer I divided my days into good days and bad days. A good day for me was when she said " John, I want to die". A bad day was when she said " John, please kill me". That was the only thing in her whole life that she had ever asked of me, and I didn't love her enough to do it because of the legal consequences. Eventually she starved herself to death. Now I live with the guilt: callous, cruel and selfish before God and my mother, but innocent before the law.

Please change the law to allow end of life choices and free the dying and their loved ones from similar torture.