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## Symptoms Other Than Pain

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AACN Education Center: Peaceful Death: Recommended Competencies and Curricular Guidelines for End-of-Life Nursing Care, <http://www.aacn.nche.edu/education/deathfin.htm>

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### **S.C. Collaborative on End-of-Life Care (at the S.C. Health Alliance)**

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## **Books and Publications**

### **Vernon's Goodbye: A Journey of Faith and Hope**

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DAY FOUR Vernon, now bedridden and sinking, is briefly his old, playful self

DAY FIVE The vigil, the end, the consolation

Web Site: <http://www.charlotte.com/observer/special/goodbye/>

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- Frank, Arthur, *The Wounded Storyteller: Body, Illness and Ethics*. University of Chicago Press.
- Lattanzi-Licht, Marcia., Mahoney, John J., and Miller, Galen W., *The Hospice Choice: In Pursuit of a Peaceful Death*. Fireside.

## **Media Resources**

### **The Doctor Is In**

An award-winning public television series has the medical information you need. Whether you're dealing with a recent diagnosis, in need of general advice to help friends and family understand, or looking for educational support material, THE DOCTOR IS IN videotape series provides useful information on coping with chronic illness and disease. There are more than 60 programs available.

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Living Wills  
Saying Good-Bye  
Alternative Medicine  
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<http://www.dartmouth.edu/~drisin/index.shtml>

**On Our Own Terms: Moyers on Dying**

Funding for this landmark PBS series and the companion outreach campaign is provided by The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation; The Fetzer Institute; The Nathan Cummings Foundation; The Kohlberg Foundation, Inc.; The Laurance S. Rockefeller Fund; The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation; and Mutual of America Life Insurance Company. This site offers lots of tools for the ON OUR OWN TERMS outreach campaign. The ON OUR OWN TERMS companion Web site, offers a broad variety of resources on end-of-life care. Web Site: <http://www.thirteen.org/onourown/terms/>

**Web Sites**

<http://dying.miningco.com/health/dying/mbody.htm> (Death and Dying with [Trudy Weathersby](#)  
Your Guide to One of Over [700 Sites](#))