Subject: interseting little story
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Tue, 30 Nov 2004 00:47:00 GMT
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Some time you just have to shake your head and wonder
http://coolcatcorp.com/millerauction/MillerAuction.html

Subject: Re: interseting little story
Posted by eric barbour on Tue, 30 Nov 2004 06:36:34 GMT
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I heard about this some years ago, the auction was in 1996.jesus. That must have been the largest Stutz collection in private hands in the world. All rusting in a rundown barn. And I bet most of the money went to the IRS. Guys like that usually die and leave massive unpaid tax and other bills.Such insanity is not as unusual as you might think, either, sad to say. This reminds me of a story I read about long ago.There was a guy in Phoenix named Arkie Schueter (sp?). He ran the only auto-parts store in town that was open 24 hours. Got lots of trucker business. Everyone in the neighborhood thought he was just another crazy old man who was always poor and ranting about the evils of government and taxes (Phoenix is crawling with people like this).Arkie died of a heart attack while being cross-examined during a civil trial [in 1986 I think, he was being sued by an ex-employee for unpaid overtime or something]. No relatives or will, so the sheriff went onto Arkie's property to look for assets to sell to cover the tax and legal bills. They found something like $750,000 in small bills hidden all over the lot. A drum of waste oil that sat right next to the street contained $400,000 in cash, carefully double wrapped in plastic bags. What a clever place to hide money--who in his right mind would hide valuables in a drum of waste oil...the neighborhood was mostly poor and black, and NOBODY had any idea what was in the drum.Arkie didn't trust banks, and hated taxes. (Guess who got the cash.)This is why you SPEND IT before you die!....

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Posted by Manualblock on Tue, 30 Nov 2004 14:55:36 GMT
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No; you get old and sick and medicare takes it.

Subject: Re: interseting little story
Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 30 Nov 2004 19:01:48 GMT
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That's the coolest story!All except the IRS part. Isn't it illegal to screw a dead guy? I guess the IRS has prosecutorial immunity. That kind of reminds me of Sam Kinison's homosexual necrophiliac routine.

Subject: Re: interesting little story
Posted by GraemeG on Wed, 01 Dec 2004 10:13:09 GMT
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The IRS aren't the only ones to practise that...http://www.juliusmedia.com/cxweb/article.asp?ID=465

Subject: Re: interesting little story
Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 01 Dec 2004 15:53:09 GMT
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Ah, yes, the lawyers too.

Subject: Re: interesting little story
Posted by Thermionic on Thu, 02 Dec 2004 16:25:30 GMT
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Reminds me of a news story I read several years ago.A elderly woman in NYC would be seen by her neighbors only about once or twice a week, usually when walking down to the market for groceries. She always had on the same clothes every time, an old, worn, black dress. She lived alone and never spoke to anyone. After her neighbors didn't see or hear her for awhile, they contacted the building manager. The lady had died in her apartment, apparently of natural causes. When the police searched it, they found over a million dollars in cash stashed in various locations!After investigating her identity, it was found out that she was the widow of a very wealthy businessman. Her husband had been dead for many years. Though a millionaire, she had lived in poverty in a dank, dirty, roach infested apartment. She had very few clothes and very spartan furnishings. The couple was childless, and after no claims were made in response to the posting of public notices, all the dough went to the state of NY.Thermionic

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Subject: Re: interesting little story
Posted by Steve on Fri, 03 Dec 2004 22:56:27 GMT

Reminds me of a late Secretary of State of Illinois. Back in the 60s, there were rumours that Paul P. was on the take, but nothing was ever proved. Well, he finally died.When they went in to his house, there was $3 million in shoe boxes. What else could he do with the cash.Take care.Steve