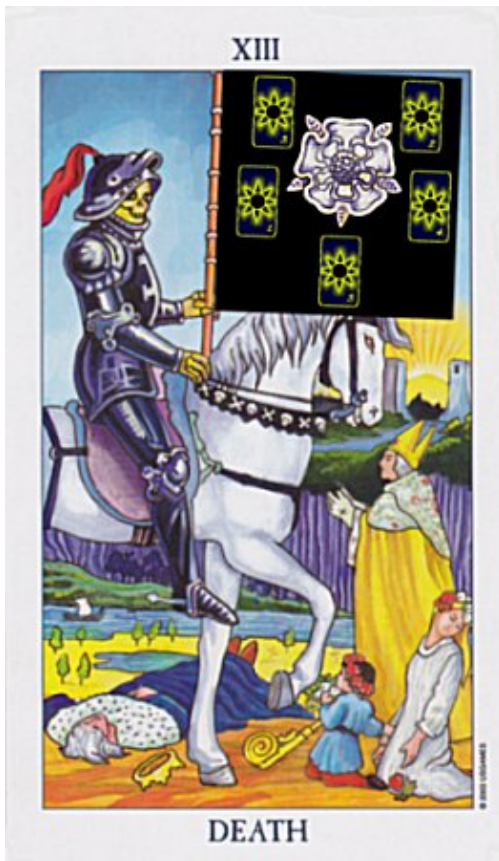


## Death's Flag



In this image of Card 13, Death carries a flag with a large white rose at its center. What is the significance of the rose? Many have speculated as to its significance and symbolism. A.E. Waite described it as the *Mystic Rose*, (aka as the Grail) which signifies life.

When card 13 turns up in a reading this can signal stagnant/dead areas in your life that you need to deal with. Stagnation causes rot and decay and needs to be cut away through release and transformation. Try this spread to help identify areas of your life that need to be changed, released and transformed.

1. **Death** - Identify what is stagnant and in need of release.
2. **Decay** - What is it that you most fear if you follow through?
3. **Plant a Seed** - What might you gain if you allow this process of release to take place?
4. **Nurture** - How can you better prepare to embrace change and the opportunities it brings?

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5. **The Rose Blooms** - What changes can you expect when you release the old and make way for the new?

