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(Medicine) another term for **euthanasia**

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eu•tha•na•sia (,yu θə'nei zə, -zi ə, -zi ə)

n.

Also called **mercy killing**, the act of putting to death painlessly or allowing to die, as by withholding medical measures from a person or animal suffering from an incurable, esp. a painful, disease or condition.

[1640–50, < New Latin < Greek *euthanasía* easy death]

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euthanasia

kill, putting to death, killing - the act of terminating a life



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