

Richard Schoeller Appreciation

Thank you for the introduction, it's a pleasure to be here. I'm coming in from Manhattan in my office right now. I come from Huntington, Long Island.

It's important that I say that I started my development in awareness back when I was a kid. I became a funeral director in 1981. I wanted to understand the soul's journey and what happens to our souls after we die. My awareness of mediumship came in 1997 at the age of 33. So those two aspects of my life were quite pivotal in my development and understanding spiritually.

Now where Sanial and Linda come in is brilliant, because my husband, in July of 2008, encouraged me to join him at a sitting here in Manhattan. My husband always encourages me to extend my awareness outside of my comfort zone. So I said, "Yeah," half-heartedly, "I'll go to this thing. I don't know who Sanial and Linda are."

I tell you, when they walked into the room — there were about 25, maybe 30 people in the room — I literally saw this energetic come up, over-encompassing everyone in the room. And, like a xylophone, I literally saw everyone's energetic centers go into alignment. And this is within them walking into the room and sitting down. I looked at my husband and said, "I don't know what they're doing but they're the real deal. Let's see where this goes!" [*Laughter*]

I started in 2011 working with Sanial and Linda but in particular with Linda one-on-one. And in June of 2013, in Petaluma, California, at the [Waking Down in Mutuality] Transfiguration Retreat, I had my Second Birth. Due to the work with Linda and Sanial —

[*"Linda: I remember it well!"*]

It was a tremendous experience and much more of a story that time does not permit now, but if anyone ever wants to hear it, let me know.

Through Linda's support and Sanial's support, over the course of time I was understanding myself as Consciousness.

In August of 2020, my husband and I decided to come back to work with Sanial and Linda as a couple, trying to understand where he and I could grow our gifts more fully into the world.

To bring this to as succinct a closing as I can, what I realized with the work with Sanial and Linda has been — irrelevant to my relationship, although my relationship is really quite wonderful, it's deepened my relationship with my husband — but equally and infinitely more importantly, it's brought me into a fuller understanding of myself.

I've found, I find, that being in the light of their presence along with their knowledge and the love that they hold you in is this tremendous, amazing crucible for transformation.

If we look at the subtle anatomy of the physical body, and we consider the heart center, it is the center between the spiritual and the physical. In the work that they do, I experience them helping me as an individual and witness other individuals coming into their own understanding of Consciousness.

But to me infinitely more important — Linda used the word "divinity" — I've seen how, for me, they've helped me to understand myself completely as divine love, but also as capitalized Divine Love, or "I Am the I AM" or "I Am That I AM."

And from that experience, it's irrelevant to me where I go in the world. What they've helped me to understand is that I can just be me in the world. And if I walk in the world being the light that I am, well then with the grace of God it will give permission for others to just be themselves as the light that they are as well.

So that's how I wanted to language my experience with these two magnificent human beings.