

Bitten By A Dead Snake



Jake Thomas kills a poisonous snake, and this is the "fangs" he gets?

Thomas, 66, volunteers at Werris Creek cemetery in eastern Australia. He was mowing grass in the cemetery, and he found a red-bellied black snake inside a vase on top of a tombstone. He noticed it in the vase because about two feet - 62 cm - of the snake's tail was hanging out!

Thomas knew the snake was poisonous, and he didn't want it to bite anyone visiting the cemetery. So, he decided to kill it. He chopped the snake in half with his shovel and continued to mow the grass.

About 20 minutes later, he came back to get rid of the dead snake. He put his hand into the vase to pick up and remove the dead snake.

"It bit me! The snake head grabbed on to my hand even though it was dead!" Thomas said. "I pulled my hand out and saw two little fang marks and knew it had gotten its revenge."

The bite was fairly serious. Thomas spent two days in the hospital, and his hand was swollen for a week!

Safety note from the experts: Snakes can still have a bite reflex up to 60 minutes after death.

What do you think?
