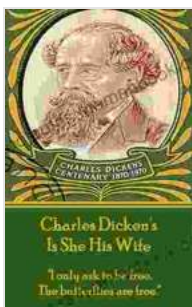


Only Ask To Be Free: The Butterflies Are Free

Only Ask To Be Free: The Butterflies Are Free is a 1972 American drama film starring Goldie Hawn, Edward Albert, and Eileen Heckart. The film tells the story of Don Baker, a blind man who falls in love with Jill Tanner, a young woman who is also blind. The film was directed by Milton Katselas and written by Leonard Gershe.

Don Baker (Edward Albert) is a blind man who lives in a boarding house in San Francisco. He is a talented musician and singer, and he spends his days playing the piano and singing in the local bars. One day, he meets Jill Tanner (Goldie Hawn), a young woman who is also blind. Jill is a free-spirited and independent woman, and she is not afraid to speak her mind. Don and Jill quickly fall in love, and they begin a relationship.

However, their relationship is not without its challenges. Don is struggling to come to terms with his blindness, and he is often frustrated and angry. Jill is also struggling to find her place in the world, and she is often lonely and isolated. Despite these challenges, Don and Jill's love for each other is strong, and they are determined to make their relationship work.



Is She His Wife: "I only ask to be free. The butterflies are free." by Miranda Jarrett

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One day, Don and Jill decide to get married. They have a small wedding ceremony in the park, and they are surrounded by their friends and family. After the wedding, Don and Jill move into a small apartment together. They are happy and content, and they are looking forward to spending the rest of their lives together.

However, their happiness is short-lived. Don's blindness begins to worsen, and he is eventually unable to play the piano or sing. He becomes depressed and withdrawn, and he begins to push Jill away. Jill is heartbroken, but she is determined to stay with Don. She takes care of him and tries to help him through his depression.

One day, Don is sitting in the park when he hears a group of children singing. He is inspired by their singing, and he begins to sing along. The children are amazed by his voice, and they ask him to sing again. Don is hesitant at first, but he eventually agrees. He sings a beautiful song, and the children are delighted.

Don's singing brings him a sense of peace and happiness. He realizes that he can still find joy in life, even though he is blind. He also realizes that he loves Jill more than anything in the world.

Don and Jill spend the rest of their lives together. They are happy and content, and they are an inspiration to everyone who knows them.

The Butterflies Are Free explores a number of themes, including love, blindness, and independence.

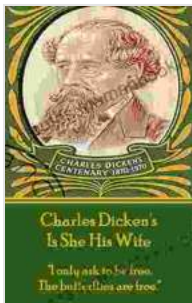
- **Love:** Don and Jill's love for each other is the driving force of the film. Despite their challenges, they are determined to make their relationship work. Their love is a testament to the power of human connection.
- **Blindness:** Don's blindness is a major challenge for him, but it does not define him. He is a talented musician and singer, and he is able to find joy in life despite his disability. The film shows that blindness is not a barrier to happiness.
- **Independence:** Jill is a strong and independent woman. She is not afraid to speak her mind, and she is determined to live her life on her own terms. The film shows that people with disabilities can be independent and successful.
- Goldie Hawn as Jill Tanner
- Edward Albert as Don Baker
- Eileen Heckart as Mrs. Baker
- Michael Rupert as Ralph
- Jennifer Salt as Chris

The Butterflies Are Free was a critical and commercial success. The film was nominated for two Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Best

Actress for Goldie Hawn. Hawn won the Golden Globe Award for Best Actress – Motion Picture Drama for her performance.

The film was also a hit with audiences. It grossed over \$25 million at the box office, making it one of the most successful films of 1972.

The Butterflies Are Free is a classic film that continues to be enjoyed by audiences today. The film is a heartwarming and inspiring story about love, blindness, and independence. It is a film that will stay with you long after you have seen it.

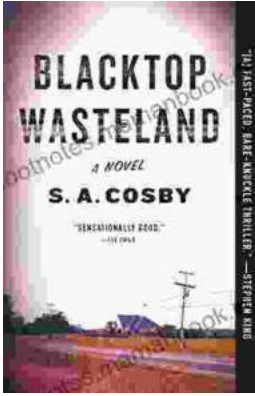


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