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Monarch Butterfly Symbolism

"Happiness is a butterfly, which when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you." Nathaniel Hawthorne, Novelist

Below are some excerpts from a web site on the symbolism of the Monarch Butterfly. This idea was submitted by Chris Barry after their family toured the Butterfly Conservatory in Niagara Falls.

An angel on your side

Perhaps due to its exceptional beauty and charm, the presence of a monarch butterfly is considered by many as a sign that your guardian angel is close by. Not only is it a reassurance that a guiding spirit is keeping you protected at all times, but that you are being held towards a life of righteousness and faith as well. Regarded as a messenger that can travel between the physical and spiritual realm, the monarch's appearance could indicate that a loved one that has recently passed is trying to communicate.



Starting from scratch

Due to the amazing journey that the monarch butterfly makes before it finally gains its jaw-dropping features, transformation and rebirth remain to be its most significant symbolism. Recognized as the most beautiful butterfly in the world, its majestic presence serves as our motivation to make meaningful changes that will lead us to be the most attractive versions of ourselves.

A change of heart

Often appearing at a time when your faith is in question or shaky, the monarch butterfly's enormous wings would slowly flutter into your consciousness to remind you about how important it is to believe in the divine. As they are known for their awesome ability to travel for thousands of kilometers during migration, these friendly creatures will go the distance just to ensure that it leads you to a spiritual transformation.

For more interesting information, you may wish to visit the web site.
<https://www.richardalois.com/symbolism/monarch-butterfly-symbolism>

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