

An author for our times, redefining difference

Meet Li Sam



Fiction, Tales, Poems and Prose,
Cards, Posters, Articles, and more...

In many terms Li Sam is different
In many more terms she is normal as anyone else

*The life we at birth have been given
may not always be that easy to cope with*

Li Sam began to write in English in 2002. Her writing covers a wide spectrum, from fiction stories to the introduction of poem cards. Li also produces articles and provides information about transsexualism and the larger issue of life and gender identity.

Li started her transition from man to woman in 2005; her final surgery was performed in 2007. Li has been a Swedish citizen since birth, but because of Swedish regulations she had to transition abroad. Li is still considered a man in her home country.

So far Li Sam is her own publisher, representing herself and printing most of her work in the USA.

Life—Gender—Transsexualism

The genres Li Sam's work comprises are many. However, there is one topic that Li has confronted in all her writing and plans to continue to explore, teach, and write about: gender identity—the true persons we are—our soul.

The phenomenon of transsexualism is poorly known and often confused with homosexuality and other diverse behavior. Of course there are gay and queer people who also are transsexual, but that is far from the full story. Gender identity is about life.

Love—Happiness—Relationship

Love has been the subject of mankind's interest since long before writing was invented, and when we started writing we've focused on it especially. It may seem that love and happiness have been explored in the written word to their fullest. However, Li Sam's writing provides us with new understandings.

People are not meant to be alone, and yet sharing your life with others can be difficult. Meeting people on the street is one thing; friendship or having a relationship with another person can be quite another. These topics and how to survive are a major part of Li Sam's writing.

Li Sam is no stranger and no different than anyone else.

Welcome.

Changing gender I'm one of the few having survived in spite the lack of Swedish transsexual care. I managed on my own with help and support from England and the United States. In all internationally approved aspects, today I'm a woman and very much alive, but according to the Swedish norm I don't exist.

I offer more information for a better understanding of transsexualism, which is complementary to my writing. Through my articles and other informative pamphlets I produce, I tell about my own experiences as well as the reality of the transsexual phenomenon and what gender identity truly is.

Swedes are not alone in facing these kinds of problems; this is very much an international issue, and there is so much that can be gained by helping each other. Knowledge and spreading the word is the key, and we who are struggling are greatly helped by whatever support we can get; even just a word letting us know you're listening helps.

In Sweden today I'm still listed as male. My intentions have never been to provoke people; it's the Swedish authorities who do that. As a woman I don't offend anyone. However, authorities denying me my gender does offend people and me. The fact that I'm a father and grandfather is not a problem. Rejecting the truth is.

-Li