

Name Meanings in *As I Lay Dying*

- Bundren** *bund (a league, confederacy, or association)
*burden (something that is carried; duty or responsibility)
*Faulkner remarked that he “took this family and subjected them to the two greatest catastrophes which man can suffer—flood and fire.”
- Addie** *Adelaide (a noble kind, sort, or type)
- Cash** *Cash (money or its equivalent; something of tangible value)
- Darl** *Darling (connotes intangible attachment)
- Jewel** *Jewel (a precious stone, of tangible value; one that is highly esteemed)
*Jouel from Jou (Old French for joy)
- Dewey Dell** *Dell (valley; girl of a vagrant class)
*Dewy (moist with dew; innocent and unsophisticated)
- Vardaman** *verdant (green with growing; unripe in experience or judgment)
*Vard from Ward (Scottish for an underage orphan)
- Anse** *anserous (goose-like, stupid, and silly)
*Aeneas (hero who escaped Troy, carrying the burden of his aging father on his back and leading his son by the hand, and arduously traveled to Rome to begin a new civilization)
- Cora** *Korë (another name for the Greek goddess Persephone)
*Cor (vulgar corruption of God)