

Osiris, Isis, and Nephthys

As King of the Underworld and Judge of the Dead, Osiris is depicted in the white linen garb of a mummy. His green skin represents the Nile River and its life-giving flood cycles. Osiris's sisters, Isis and Nephthys, can be identified by their crowns: a throne for Isis and a house topped with a basket for Nephthys. Images of Osiris with his sisters are commonly found in texts of the Book of the Dead, a collection of spells intended to help the dead make their way through the underworld. At the end of this journey, the deceased stood in front of Osiris, who determined if they were worthy of entering the kingdom of the dead.

