

# My computer died...

It came quickly, but my laptop screen died. I wasn't sure exactly what happened but there was a quick blackout of the screen.

I now have my laptop attached to an external screen. After doing a quick search, I think what the problem is. Either the backlight or the inverter are going bad. They might be fixable, but it isn't an easy fix for me. I have the knowledge but not the ability. Fixing these problems requires fine motor skills. I'm much better at gross motor skills.

This would require soldering small wires, careful handling of a delicate bulb with mercury on the inside. Replacement of another delicate part. My fumble fingers and weak eyes just aren't up to that. Tomorrow, I will check to see how much it will cost to replace the parts. If too much, I may end up getting a new laptop. This laptop still works, but I will probably use it as another desktop at home. It can replace the older computer my youngest uses at home. Then she will be able to play some of the games that no longer work for her.

Just a bit of bad luck for the New Year.