PERSONAL FUNERAL PLANNING GUIDE

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Why Pre-plan?

Planning your funeral is one of the most thoughtful things you can do for your family. Grief is a confusing and difficult time and planning a funeral in the midst of these emotions can be overwhelming. Your decision to complete this guide lifts some of the burden off of your friends and family. By completing the following pages, you will have a document that clearly expresses your wishes and acts as a guide for your family and funeral director.

We encourage you to share this guide with a family member or trusted friend. Keep it in a safe place let someone know where it can be located.

A. Basic Information

Full Name:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Social Security Number:
Occupation:
Type of Business/Industry:
Military Service: Yes □ No □ If yes, what branch?
Highest Level of Education Completed:
Father's Name (First, Middle, Last):
Mother's Name (First, Middle, Maiden, Last):
Place of Worship:
Clergy Name:
Upon my death, I wish to donate my organs as indicated:
□ No donation
□ Any needed organs or tissue
□ Only the organs or tissues listed here

B. Choice of Funeral Home

Funeral Home:		
Funeral Director:		
Address:		
Contact Information:		
C. Service/Disposition Information		
□ I do Not wish to have a service		
□ I Do wish to have a service		
Location of Service:		
Preference of officiating clergy:		
I wish to have a reception for friends and family as part of my service:		
□ Location of reception		
Timing of reception □ prior to service □ following service □ reception only		
Traditional Burial		
□ Casket at the Funeral		
☐ Graveside Service followed by Memorial Service		
☐ Graveside Service Only		
□ I wish to be embalmed (sometimes embalming may be necessary for a viewing)		
$\hfill I$ do not wish to be embalmed (refrigeration is required in lieu of embalming)		
Traditional Cremation		
\Box I wish to be embalmed and placed in a rental casket for the service prior to cremation (rental caskets are typically composed of solid wood and have removable inserts which are used as cremation containers)		

Cremation with Memorial Service			
☐ I wish to have my cremains at the Memorial Service ☐ I do not wish to have my cremains at the Memorial Service			
☐ I wish to have no services, only cremation.			
Anatomical Donation			
$\hfill I$ wish to have my body donated to medical science to the following institution.			
Name of Institution_			
Contact Information			
☐ I have completed the necessary paperwork required by the institution			
The paperwork is located			
Special Requests			
I wish to be buried in a traditional cemetery			
□ I own a burial plot at			
Cemetery located in			
□ I do not own a burial plot			
I wish to be placed in a mausoleum at a cemetery			
□ I own a crypt at			
Cemetery located in			
□ I do not own a crypt			

I wish to be cremated □ I would like my ashes to be scattered at:_____ Special Instructions: □ I would like my ashes to be buried at:_____ Special Instructions: □ I would like for my urn to be placed in a niche in a cemetery: Name of Cemetery: Special Instructions:

D. Important Papers/ People to notify

You can find my last will and testament at the following location:		
The executor of my estate is:		
My executor's phone number is:		
Other important documents such as my birth certificate, marriage license, deeds, automobile titles, insurance policies, pension information, income tax records, banking records, bonds, securities, stock certificates, etc. are identified as follows:		
Document	Location	
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People to notify are as follows:		
People	Contact Information	