

Worksheet: Pre-Plan Your Own Funeral

Getting Started

Planning your own funeral or memorial service can provide peace-of-mind to you and your family.

This worksheet includes information on the following:

- Type Of Service
- Related Events
- Attendees
- Officiant & Eulogizers
- Prayers & Readings
- Songs & Music
- Pallbearers
- Charitable Donations

Remember

[Create an Everplan](#) to easily and securely update and share this vital info with the people you love and trust.

DECIDE WHAT TYPE OF SERVICE YOU WANT TO HAVE

- I would like to have a funeral service, followed by burial or cremation
- I would like to have a funeral service, followed by a graveside service or a service at the crematory, followed by burial or cremation
- I would like to have only a graveside service or a service at the crematory, followed by burial or cremation
- I would like to have a memorial service after the burial or cremation
- I would like to have a funeral service in my own home

DECIDE IF YOU WANT ANY OTHER FUNERAL EVENTS

- I would like to have a viewing before my funeral
- I would like to have a wake before my funeral
- I would like to have a visitation before my funeral
- I would like to have a reception or gathering after my funeral or memorial service
- I would like to observe my religion's mourning events

EXISTING PRE-PAID FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

If you've already paid for funeral goods and services, include the information here (Example: Funeral home contact info, location of signed contracts, how much you paid, etc.):

LOCATION

Ideal Location: _____

Alternate Location: _____

OFFICIANT

Religious leaders will typically lead the service at a religious place of worship. If you're having the service at another location, you can choose whoever you'd like to officiate the service.

Name of officiant: _____

If this person isn't available, my alternate officiant is: _____

PALLBEARERS

It's customary to name six pallbearers. Anyone who isn't physically capable of carrying the weight of a casket can be made "honorary pallbearers" and walk beside or behind the casket.

Choose pallbearers to carry or escort the casket

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

Name: _____

EULOGIES

Family members, friends, clergy, and/or funeral conductors often give eulogies.

Choose people to deliver eulogies

Name/Info: _____

Name/Info: _____

Name/Info: _____

READINGS & PRAYERS

If the service is religious there may be traditional prayers or hymns that should be read.

Choose people to deliver readings or prayers at the service

Name/Reading: _____

Name/Reading: _____

Name/Reading: _____

SONGS & MUSIC

Songs, hymns, and other music you'd like played at your service

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

I would like people to honor my memory by making a donation to one of the charity organizations that has meant a lot to me:

Charity: _____

Charity: _____

Charity: _____

ATTENDEES

I want to be sure that the following groups, organizations, and clubs will be notified of and invited to my funeral or memorial service (such as veterans' groups, alumni associations, sports or hobby clubs, etc.):

Group/Contact Info: _____

Group/Contact Info: _____

Group/Contact Info: _____

I want to be sure that the following people, whom my family may not know, will be notified of and invited to my funeral or memorial service:

Name/Contact: _____

Name/Contact: _____

Name/Contact: _____

Name/Contact: _____

Name/Contact: _____

