



FUNERAL PRE PLANNING CHECKLIST

SELECTING A FUNERAL HOME

One of the very first steps is selecting a location for the service. When comparing funeral homes, make sure that you are picking a firm that has the space to accommodate your number of expected guest.

SERVICE

What kind of service would you like? Whether it's a traditional funeral or a celebration of life, the choice is up to you. If you're making arrangements for a loved one, ask yourself what they would have wanted. It's also important to make sure that whatever you pick will also help your family grieve and find closure.

CEMETERY LOCATION

Choosing a cemetery is very important. This is where your loved one will be laid to rest. Make sure that you are happy with the plot you select and that it is somewhere you will be comfortable revisiting.

PRODUCT

When it comes to selecting funeral merchandise, there are many quality products to consider. Make sure to select a product that meets your family's needs and budget.

BURIAL

If you are planning a burial service, many cemeteries now require that the casket is protected with a burial vault. If you are unsure, ask your funeral director or contact the cemetery directly.

FLOWERS

Select which kind of flowers you would like displayed during the service. Some families do not like to have flowers at a funeral service. In lieu of flowers, select a charity for donations.

READINGS

If your loved one was religious, there may be certain readings you want to include in the service. This is an opportunity for family and friends to participate in the service and pay tribute to the deceased.

MUSIC

Music is an integral part of any event. Select the music you would like to be played during the visitation, service, and reception.

PALLBEARERS

Select who will serve as pallbearers for the service. If there is someone you would like to include that will be unable to complete the physical duties, consider naming them an honorary pallbearer.

DONATIONS

If guests would like to make donations in your loved one's memory, select a charity or organization to receive donations.