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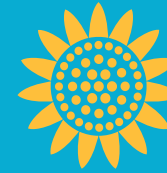
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Caring for Local People



Planning your Funeral

Making your wishes known

An Information and Resource Booklet

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Introduction

Planning a funeral can be an upsetting and stressful experience. Many people die without making their preferences clear. Thinking ahead about whether you want to be buried or cremated, about your funeral plan and expenses can help those you leave behind. Planning clearly can help to remove the additional worry of whether the arrangements they make are what you would have wanted.

If there will be no coffin/casket of ashes present at the Thanksgiving/Memorial Ceremony (i.e. when the cremation/burial has already taken place) would you like another focus? (e.g. projected photograph, candles to be lit, other items/memorabilia)

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I would like donations to be made to:

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Special Requests

(E.g. special actions during the service: candle-lighting, placing of flowers etc)

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Gathering afterwards

I would like there to be a time to gather after the funeral.

Venue:

Provisions:.....

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Any other issues/‘loose ends’:.....

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Please remember we are here to support you and if it would help to talk through your plan please ask to talk to a member of the family support team

Content of the ceremony

I would like a ceremony in the tradition of (Christian, non-religious etc.)

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I would like the following beliefs/philosophy to be reflected in the ceremony:

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I would like the following music in the main Ceremony:

- Music as people arrive
 Music during (for reflection)
 Hymns
 Music as people leave

Details:.....

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I would like the following to be included:

- Requiem Poem Eulogy
 Bible reading Specially written piece Other (perhaps something you have written yourself?)

Details:.....

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Who will read?.....

I would like the main address about my life to be given by:

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Basic information

Name
First Middle

Family name/Surname

Address

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Postcode

Date of birth Birthplace

Occupation (or retired from).....

- Single Married Civil Partnership Living Together
 Divorced Separated Widowed

Name Of Spouse.....

Is Spouse Living? Yes No: Date of death

Children:

Names	Age
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Information about your estate

Have you made a Will?

Yes, it is held by No

Funeral Ceremony Instructions

The Funeral Director I have chosen

I would like to be;

Buried at

Can be in a cemetery, churchyard, woodland burial site (biodegradable coffin)
(E.g. at Tarn Moor Memorial Woodland - see www.tarnmoor.co.uk
Brocklands Woodland Burial, Settle - see www.brocklands.co.uk)

Cremated

Ashes to be scattered/interred where?

I would like a:

Traditional funeral followed by cremation/burial

Burial/cremation followed by Memorial/Thanksgiving

Burial/cremation, no Memorial/Thanksgiving

Service followed by coffin sent (unaccompanied) for cremation

Service I have designed myself (please give/attach details)

Other

Please specify location(s)

Will there be a headstone/plaque? If so, please give details:

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Any other details:

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Funeral ceremony (Thanksgiving/Memorial)

I would like the Funeral Ceremony to take place in:

A place of worship Please specify

The crematorium

The crematorium with a 'double' time slot for a longer ceremony

Other venue Please specify

I would like the Funeral to be conducted by a:

Minister of religion

Funeral celebrant (not necessarily linked to any church)

Friend

Family member

Humanist celebrant

Other

Please give details

I would like the following people present at each part of the Ceremony:

Graveside

Close family and friends only

Close family only

All are welcome

Crematorium

Close family and friends only

Close family only

All are welcome

Thanksgiving/Memorial

Close family and friends only

Close family only

All are welcome

Dresscode details:.....

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Any other details:

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