

OVER SEVENTY things that you must do on the most difficult day of your life...

Vital Statistics

1. Full legal name
2. Home address & phone number
3. How long in state
4. Occupation & title
5. Type of business
6. Business address & phone
7. Social Security number
8. Veterans serial number
9. Date of birth
10. Place of birth
11. U.S. Citizenship
12. Father's name
13. Father's birthplace
14. Mother's maiden name
15. Mother's birthplace
16. Religious name (if any)
17. Marital Status
18. Spouse name (maiden if wife)
19. Number of children

Cemetery Arrangements

20. Interment space
21. Endowment care
22. Vault
23. Opening & closing of grave
24. Memorial marker & inscription
25. Setting of marker

Funeral Arrangements

26. Casket
27. Initial ambulance pickup
28. Embalming & preparation
29. Restorative art
30. Cosmetology
31. Hair dressing
32. Display of flowers
33. Preparation of necessary papers
34. Legal certificates & permits
35. Memorial record book
36. Acknowledgment cards
37. Insurance & government forms
38. Funeral coach
39. Flower car
40. Limousine for family
41. Limousine for pallbearers
42. Use of chapel
43. State showing room
44. Religious & fraternal items
45. Parking facilities
46. Music
47. News notices
48. Arrange obituaries
49. Church services
50. To have open casket
51. Visitation
52. Decide on jewelry and glasses

53. Clothing for the deceased
54. Graveside services
55. Donations instead of flowers

Other Decisions & Arrangements

56. Clergy to officiate
57. Time of services
58. Provide information for eulogy
59. Select pallbearers
60. Clothing for you & children
61. Preparation at home including food for family & guests
62. Transportation for family & guests (funeral car list)
63. Check & sign necessary papers
64. Answer phone calls, wires & messages
65. Greet friends & relatives who call
66. Arrange to meet & lodge out-of-town relatives
67. Compile thank you card list
68. Look after minor children
69. Notify family & friends
70. Order death certificate
71. Payment for services

Do it now! Why Hesitate?