

Notes to My Family

Organizing our later years.

Module 4: Wishes and Memories

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Wishes and Memories



Have the information below ready before starting to fill out this document.

Wishes and Memories Document / Media Finder List

- Funeral / service / celebration plan
- Your obituary / photo to be used
- Music (sheet or media file) to play at funeral / service / celebration
- Readings for funeral / service / celebration
- Burial plot / Cremation paperwork
- Organ Donor card or documentation

In our final module, *Wishes and Memories*, you will be asked to answer sensitive questions including burial plans, who to notify upon your passing, and your intentions about organ donations. You will be encouraged to write your own obituary and to plan for your end-of-life celebration.

In today's digital environment, be sure to specify what should be done with your social media accounts, such as Facebook or Twitter. List groups with which you have been affiliated and provide contact information so that your colleagues can be notified and your legacy can be honored.

Wishes and Memories may help you find peace and solace by leaving messages for family members or loved ones and expressing your final wishes. It is a special section that when thoughtfully completed will allow others to fully honor your life.

Your Wishes

Organ Donation

Are you an Organ Donor: YES NO **If so, have you indicated this on your Driver's License:** YES NO

As part of your Advance Health Directive: YES NO **In a different document:** YES NO

If yes, where:

Obituary

Have you composed your obituary: YES NO **If so, where is it stored:**

In which publications would you like the obituary to appear:

Is there a specific photo(s) you would like to use? If so, where is it stored:

I would like to insert a copy of my obituary below:

If you have not written your obituary, who should be responsible?

Name: **Relationship:**
Address:
Phone: **Email:**

Suggestions for basic information to include in your obituary

First Name: **Middle Name:** **Last Name:**
Maiden Name: **Nick Name:** **Age:** **Gender:**
City of Residence: **Length of Time:**
Date of Birth: **Place of Birth:**
Date of Death: **Cause and Place of Death:**
Profession: **Military Service:**
Education: **Schools Attended, Degrees:**
Membership Organizations, Positions Held:
Next of Kin, Survived by:

Service / Celebration Information:

Mortuary Information:

Charitable Contributions:

Notes:

Funeral / Service / Celebration

Preferred Mortuary:

Contact:

Phone:

Address:

On-line Viewbook URL:

Viewing / Disposition Wishes (check all that apply):

Inturnment

Entombment

Cremation

No ashes to remain

If Burial, plot location:

Deed location:

If cremation, disposition of ashes as follows:

Service

Do you have plans prepared: YES NO **If yes, where are the plans located:**

I wish a funeral / memorial service with no casket present

I wish a funeral / memorial service with remains present: Open Casket: Closed Casket:

I wish a celebration of my life separate from my internment / cremation

I prefer to have no event:

My funeral / service / celebration will be held at:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Person to handle arrangements:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Person to Officiate:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Service Order of Events:

Photos to use (list filenames or subject and place of storage):

Music to use (list title and composer):

Readings to use (list title and author):



It's an honor to be asked by someone to be a part of their memorial service. There are many ways to be involved, such as reading a passage, performing music, selecting flowers, or displaying photos. If you've asked special people to participate in your service, please be sure to share the details.

People I'd like to participate:

Name:		Relationship:
Phone:	Email:	
Name:		Relationship:
Phone:	Email:	
Name:		Relationship:
Phone:	Email:	

Service / Celebration Notes:

Who to Notify Upon My Death

Name: _____ **Relationship:** _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

Name: _____ **Relationship:** _____
Address: _____
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Social Media Accounts

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Please delete the following online accounts at my passing. You will find login information in Module 2: *About You and Your Family*.

Delete Account			Delete Account		
Facebook:	YES	NO	LinkedIn:	YES	NO
Twitter:	YES	NO	Instagram:	YES	NO

Additional Accounts

		Delete Account	
Account:	Website:	YES	NO
User Name:	Password:		
Account Name:	Website:	YES	NO
User Name:	Password:		
Account Name:	Website:	YES	NO
User Name:	Password:		

Organizational Notification

Please notify the following organizations of my passing. You will find contact information in Module 2: *About You and Your Family*.

Memories

Do you have a favorite memory you'd like to share with your loved ones? Or, something that you've been meaning to say but haven't had the chance? That is what this section of Notes to My Family is for. We've provided a few prompts to get you started, but gather your family around and let this be just a beginning.



My Childhood

What my parents were like:

My best memories of my mother / of my father / of my siblings:

Where I lived as a child:

What life was like when I was a child:

What was my favorite thing to do:

What I enjoyed most about school:

What I wanted to be when I grew up:

My favorite sport(s):

My favorite book(s) / author(s):

My favorite song(s) / music(s) / composer(s):

Important Friends:

Notes:

As a Young Adult

What I thought of college, or moving out on my own:

How I met your father / mother:

How we decided to marry:

What my first job was like:

As an Adult

What my first home was like:

My most important personal accomplishment:

My most important professional accomplishment:

If I had anything to do over it would be:

My favorite holiday traditions:

Favorite Family Recipes:

My favorite funny story about my spouse:

My favorite funny story about my children:

My most precious family memories:

My most important piece of advice is:



One of the loveliest keepsakes we can leave a loved one is a letter expressing your feelings and your gratitude for that person in your life.

To whom will you write letters and where will they be kept?

Name: _____ **Location:** _____

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Name: _____ **Location:** _____

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