

These Are My Wishes



This Booklet Prepared by :

Contains valuable
Information
Regarding My Wishes
Please When Reading This
Know
That I Love You

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Planning is something we all try to do, but what about preplanning? We all have the best intentions, but we seem to get involved in other things and the time slips silently away.

Enclosed is a booklet offered by Supreme Memorials, Inc and your Funeral director. My Wishes booklet is designed to assist you in ensuring that you have not only gathered the necessary information to help your family and loved ones in settling your estate, but that you have also properly planned and considered how choices should be made on your behalf and who should make those choices. This Peace of Mind Guide does not take the place of a properly drafted estate plan, but should instead supplement your estate planning documents to provide your family and friends with additional information to help them in making final arrangements.

Our company has been in the memorial business for many years, and over these years we have seen a lot of changes. One of those changes that we feel has been for the best is that many families are making their memorial selections together. We have an excellent design department, so we are able to take your ideas and help design a more personal memorial – your family symbol.

In an effort to be of help to you, we will be glad to answer any questions that you might have. Or, if it is more convenient for you, a visit to our showroom may prove most helpful in your preplanning. We have found it to be true that most families want to provide an expression of their love in a memorial tribute, but are unsure just how to go about making that selection. This is because we don't select a memorial as often as the other important things in life.

What we do is take you through the various steps you should consider when preplanning a memorial. This always includes a discussion about the different qualities of granite, the warranties that pertain to these qualities and of course, the cost of a memorial.

We do look forward to visiting with you in the near future and would like you to know that we'll do everything it takes to help you capture the spirit of your lives together.

Sincerely,

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A Record of Information

Important to our Family

GENERAL PLANNING INFORMATION

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Below is a brief summary of the basic estate planning documents that every person should consider completing as a part of their estate plan. Once you have completed these documents, it is a good idea to discuss these documents with your family and loved ones. Additionally, you should either keep copies of these documents with your Peace of Mind Guide or list the location of these documents in your Guide so that your family and loved ones can easily find them.

Will

A Last Will and Testament will provide you with the opportunity to designate where your estate assets will pass upon your death. A Will is for everyone and if you do not have one or the Will you have is not up to date, please make it a priority today!

Durable Power of Attorney (for financial and non-healthcare issues)

A Durable Power of Attorney allows you to appoint someone to handle your financial and other non-healthcare affairs. Without such power of attorney, it would be impossible to transact business on your behalf if you became incompetent. This would result in a guardianship proceeding which would be costly and take a great deal of time.

Durable Power of Attorney (for Healthcare)

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The Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare allows you to appoint someone to make healthcare decisions on your behalf. It will only come into play if you become incompetent. Without such healthcare power, guardianship will also be required to enable someone to make healthcare decisions for you.

Living Will

The Living Will allows you to state your wishes as to whether life support should be provided to you in the event you have a terminal condition. A Living Will should be completed now so that your loved ones will understand your wishes should you become critically ill and cannot make decisions at that time.

MY PEACE OF MIND PLAN
FOR MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Date _____

To My Family and Loved Ones:

Love and Peace of Mind are wonderful gifts, and I wish for each of you to share that gift with me. It is important for you to know of what I have done in a loving attempt to bring peace of mind to each of you. This Peace of Mind Guide I have prepared seeks to outline my wishes concerning final arrangements, memorialization, and other personal matters.

I believe all the information needed to carry out my wishes is included in this Guide, and I sincerely hope that having it will give you the same peace of mind I had in preparing it.

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WILL, DURABLE POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND LIVING WILL

A Will provides the opportunity for me to designate where my estate assets will pass upon death and who should serve as Executor/Executrix of my Estate. A Durable Power of Attorney (for finances) and Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare appoints someone to handle my financial and healthcare decisions in the case that I become unable to do so prior to my death. Through a Living Will, I may state whether or not I would like life support to be provided to me in the event of a terminal condition.

I have completed the following documents,
located _____

____ Will ____ Durable Power of Attorney ____ Durable Power of Attorney for Healthcare ____ Living Will

SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

Social security benefits are not paid automatically; you should contact the local Social Security Administration Office to apply. The following documents may be necessary to complete the application.

To Claim Social Security Benefits, You May Need To Provide...

- Social Security Proof of Death •Disability Proof for children over 18
- Receipted funeral bill •Birth Certificate of Deceased
- Birth Certificate of Applicant •Social Security Card for the Deceased
- Birth Certificates of minor children •Certified Copy of Marriage Certificate
- Proof of support if applicant is parent/husband
(if applicant is other than the surviving spouse)

Death Benefit and/or Survivors Payment

A lump sum death benefit will be made to the surviving spouse if the spouse was living in the same household with the insured person at the time of death. If no qualified spouse survives, the payment can be made only to eligible children. If an insured person dies, the widow, dependent widower, children and dependent parents of that person may be eligible for monthly survivor's payments.

VETERANS BENEFITS

As an honorably discharged veteran from the Air Force, Army, Navy, Marines, or Coast Guard, you are entitled to the following veterans' survivors burial related benefits. Claims, however, must be made within two years from date of final interment.

- A burial allowance limited to \$300 for expenses for burial and funeral of the deceased. This allowance will be paid only for Veterans who were entitled to receive a Veterans Administration pension or compensation. In addition, an allowance of \$150 payable towards the burial plot expenses of a Veteran who is not buried in a national cemetery.
- A burial flag, that can be given to next of kin or friend of deceased, and a memorial or headstone (bronze or granite).

To determine eligibility or to file your claim, contact your area Veterans Administration or write directly to Veterans Administration, Washington, D.C. 20421. Toll Free Number 800-827-1000. To speed service and benefits, please have the following documents available before you contact the V.A.

- * Veteran's Discharge Papers
- * Birth Certificate of minor children
- * Certified Copy of Death Certificate
- * Receipted itemized funeral bill
- * Copy of Marriage Certificate

MY INSURANCE, LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ADVISORS

Note: Insurance and brokerage firms will require a certified copy of the death certificate when application is made for information and benefits.

Life Insurance

Agent Address Phone Number E-Mail
(Please use reverse side for policy numbers)

Property Insurance

Agent Address Phone Number E-Mail
Health and Accident Coverage

Agent Address Phone Number E-Mail
Lawyer

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail
Financial Planner/Stockbroker(s)

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail
(Please use reverse side for specific account information)
Banks; Credit Union; Other

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail
(Please use reverse side for specific account information)
EXECUTOR/EXECUTRIX OF MY WILL:

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail
(Please use reverse side for additional information)

MY INSURANCE, LEGAL AND FINANCIAL ADVISORS NOTES

MY PERSONAL AND FAMILY HISTORY

Name _____

First

Middle Initial

Last

Social Security

Number _____

Location of the following information:

Birth Certificate _____ Marriage License _____

Children's Birth Certificates _____ Will (dated) _____

Military Discharge _____ Stocks and Bonds _____

Mortgage _____ Deeds or Notes _____

Automobile Title _____ Income Tax Returns _____

Valuables _____ Other _____

Safe Deposit Box: Bank _____ Number _____ Key _____

Location of Safe Deposit Key: _____

Name of Father _____ Place of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Name of Mother _____ Place of Birth _____ Date of Birth _____

Marital Status: _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Widower _____ Single

Schools Attended _____ Degree: _____

_____ Degree: _____

_____ Degree: _____

Fraternities or Honor Societies: _____

From: _____ To: _____ Position Held: _____

Military Branch _____ Serial

No. _____ From: _____ To: _____

History Theater(s) of Service: _____ Grade, Rank, Rating _____

Citations, Recognitions, Awards _____

Name of Veteran's Organizations _____

Employment History

Firms/Organizations _____ Benefits Due: ___ Yes ___ No

Name of Benefits Managers on Active Pension Accounts: _____

THIS IS MY REQUEST FOR MEMORIAL SERVICES

I have or have not prepared my final arrangements. These are my requests:

Burial and Memorialization Arrangements:

Ground Burial _____ Mausoleum _____ Cremation _____ Other Vault _____ Casket _____

Cemetery Section _____ Lot Number _____ Space Number _____

Funeral
Director _____

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A Memorial has been purchased and arrangements made: Yes No

If a Memorial has not been pre-planned and funded, I request the following kind of permanent memorial memorialization:

Reserved Interment Space in my Family Burial Plot:

Name Relationship Cemetery

Service Arrangements:

___ Church ___ Funeral Chapel ___ Gravesite ___ Temple ___ Cemetery Chapel ___ Home ___ Other

Clergy _____ Denomination _____ Fraternal Organizations _____

Military
Organizations _____

Special Arrangements (i.e. Scripture, Hymns, flowers, music)

Pallbearers: _____

How I Wish My Life to Be Remembered in the Service and on the Granite Memorial:

You may wish to review this with family members and other professionals from time to time.

MEMORIAL SERVICE NOTES

PEACE OF MIND CHECKLIST FOR YOU AND YOUR SURVIVORS

ARRANGEMENTS TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SURVIVOR

(Check when completed)

Vital Statistics (required for burial permit)

_____ Name, home address and telephone number rights for insurance, pensions, social

_____ Years in State security, ownership, relationship, etc.

_____ Name, address and telephone number of business

_____ Occupation and title

_____ Social Security Number

_____ War Veterans Serial Number

_____ Date and Place of Birth

_____ U.S. Citizen

_____ Father's name and place of birth

_____ Mother's maiden name and place of birth

_____ Religious name

Documents required to establish

_____ Will

_____ Legal proof of age or birth certificate

_____ Social Security card or number

_____ Marriage license

_____ Citizenship papers

_____ Insurance policies

_____ Bank statements

_____ Deeds to property

_____ Title (auto)

_____ Income tax returns, receipts or canceled checks

_____ Veterans discharge certificate

_____ Disability claims

_____ Cemetery lot title

Decide and Arrange Within a Few Hours

_____ Burial location and which space to open

_____ Memorial and inscription

_____ Casket type

_____ Clothing for deceased

_____ Vault or sectional crypt

_____ Type of service (religious, military, fraternal)

_____ Special selection from scriptures

_____ Funeral director

_____ Memorialist or monument dealer

_____ Place where service is to be held

_____ Time for funeral service

_____ Decide name of charitable organization to which

_____ Proving information for eulogy

_____ Names of pall-bearers

_____ Flowers

_____ Music

_____ Checking and signing necessary papers for burial permit

_____ Providing vital statistics about deceased to newspapers

_____ Meeting and talking with funeral director, cemetery representative, clergy, about all details

_____ Make list of callers and floral tributes sent for mailing card of thanks

_____ Check Will regarding special wishes

_____ Order death certificate

You may pre-pay all of the following

_____ Family burial estate

_____ Memorial for the lot

_____ Clergy to officiate

_____ Funeral director

_____ Interment service

_____ Special Clergy

_____ Florist

_____ Medicine and drugs

_____ Other current and ongoing bills

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NOTES ABOUT THE CHECKLIST

Donations are suggested in memory of deceased
PLEASE CONTACT THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE
Clergy/Minister/Priest

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail
Family and Friends

Name Address Phone Number E-Mail

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