WISHES AND REQUESTS

An unpleasant realty is the need to make arrangements for death. Whether you make such arrangements during your life or someone makes them for you, the fact remains some provisions need to be made. The following outline provides a blue print to guide your thinking on such matters. It is suggested this form be completed and placed with your estate papers (but please tell one or more where to look for it).

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Final Wishes And Requests



Let's Get It Right! Your Thoughts on Arrangements and Requests For Death.

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Note: Add additional pages for your responses as needed.
1. Personal information that will be needed for the death certificate:
a. Your Full name
b. Date of birth
c. Birthplace: name the state or foreign country
d. Race
e. Education: Highest grade (college) completed
f. Citizen of what country
g. Usual or last occupation
h. Marital status
i. Full name of your father
j. Mothers full maiden name
k. Were you (are you) ever in the U. S. Armed Forces
2. Name of spouse:
Name or names of previous spouses:
3. Names and addresses of your children:
4. Your Social Security Number:
5. Funeral Home (Mortuary) to be used, or other arrangement:
6. I wish to be cremated. Check here: (skip to number 8)

7. I wish to have a traditional burial (with casket, grave
site, etc.). Check here: (skip to number 9). If you
do not wish a traditional burial, place your thoughts and
instructions in a separate paper and attach to this list.
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8. I wish a memorial service: Yes No
(1) If you checked Yes above: where should the memorial
service be held?
(2) Who should preside at the service?
(3) Location when cremains should be interred (or
otherwise placed)?

- (4) If you checked No above: what additional action, if any, would you like to be undertaken?
- 9. I wish a funeral service:
- (1) Where should the funeral service be held?
- (2) Where would you like to be buried?
- (3) Do you own a grave site (mausoleum site) and if so where?
- (4) Will there be a grave-side service?
- (5) What writing should be placed on your grave marker (tombstone)?
- (6) Do you desire a closed casket or an open casket at the service (circle your preference)?
- (7) Do you wish to name pallbearers? If so list the names.
- (8) Do you have a preference for the clothes and jewelry in which to be buried?
- 10. At your memorial service/funeral:
- (1) What musical selections (hymns) should be used?
- (2) What bible verses, poems, or other readings should be used?
- (3) Who do you want to preside (Chaplain, Minister, Priest, Rabi, etc.)?
- (4) Who else should be asked to participate?
- (5) Would you like any special music to be played; or musician to perform? List your preferences.

11. What should be done in regard to flowers, floral wreaths, etc.?

If you wish to specify "in lieu of flowers," where should the contributions go?

- 12. Do you want flags displayed, and if so which flags?
- 13. Do you want personal pictures or videos shown at the visitation and/or service? (List items to be used or place in a separate envelope.)
- 14. Do you have other desires for the funeral/memorial service, e.g. military honor guard, rifle salute; bugler, bagpipes, fraternal rites?
- 15. What are your wishes in regard to a visitation, reception, wake, receiving of friends?
- **16.** Which family members, friends, or colleagues should be notified about your death? List names and, if possible, addresses. (Place in a separate envelop and attach to this document.)
- 17. Prepare your obituary. (Place in a separate envelop and attach to this document.)
- 18. Have you completed the document "Steps to Peace of Mind" (available from Montgomery Law) or a similar paper that tells where to find your important papers and assets?
- 19. Is your Will in your bank safe deposit box, and if so what bank or bank branch?
- **20.** What provision should be made for your pets?