ALTERNATIVES CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICE

Funeral Pre-Planning Checklist

Use this checklist to record your wishes and gather the details your family will need. There's no need to decide everything at once. Keep it with your important papers, date each review, and let someone you trust know where to find it.

Decisions to consider

GENERAL

- ☐ Gather personal information for your obituary
- ☐ Choose a funeral home and note its contact details
- ☐ Name the person your family should contact about your plan
- ☐ List the people you'd like notified
- ☐ Choose a charity for donations, if desired
- ☐ Note any instructions for your services and final disposition

THE FUNERAL SERVICE

- ☐ Choose burial or cremation
- ☐ Select a casket or cremation container
- ☐ Choose the location and type of service
- ☐ Choose floral arrangements
- ☐ Select photographs and keepsakes to display
- ☐ Note customs, traditions or religious rites
- ☐ Choose the clothing you'd like to wear
- ☐ Select music, hymns and readings
- ☐ Choose a theme for decorations and stationery
- ☐ Arrange transportation for you and your family

PARTICIPANTS

- ☐ Choose a clergy member or officiant
- ☐ Select any musicians
- ☐ Select pallbearers
- ☐ Choose who will give the eulogy, read scripture or speak

FINAL DISPOSITION

- [ ] Choose a cemetery _____
- [ ] Select a burial plot or mausoleum _____
- [ ] Select a marker and inscription _____
- [ ] Decide who will keep your urn _____
- [ ] Decide who will scatter your ashes, and where _____

Details to gather

PERSONAL INFORMATION

- [ ] Your full legal name, date and place of birth _____
- [ ] Your father's name _____
- [ ] Your mother's maiden name _____
- [ ] Your level of education _____
- [ ] Your Social Security number, stored securely _____

AFFILIATIONS

- [ ] Fraternal organizations _____
- [ ] Service organizations _____
- [ ] Union memberships _____
- [ ] Special awards or recognitions _____

MILITARY SERVICE

- [ ] Branch and rank _____
- [ ] Date of enlistment _____
- [ ] Date of discharge _____
- [ ] Wars or conflicts served _____
- [ ] Service or serial number _____
- [ ] Discharge papers (DD-214) _____

DOCUMENTS & COSTS

- [ ] Existing cemetery purchases or plans _____
- [ ] Life insurance policies and where they're kept _____
- [ ] Where your will is kept _____
- [ ] An itemized cost estimate _____
- [ ] Who has a copy of your plan _____

Notes

For personal help creating your plan, call (405) 443-8085 to schedule a one-on-one meeting with our staff.