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What To Do When Someone Dies: Tips On Organising A Funeral

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Summary:

Dealing with bereavement is often difficult. Here are eight aspects you need to consider when

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Article Body:

When loved ones pass away, you'll want to make sure that they have the funeral they deserve. Here

1. Viewing

When someone dies, family members and friend may wish to view the body of their loved one. Viewing

2. Flowers, notices and memorials

In many communities it is traditional that friends and family pay their respects by sending flowers.

The obituary notice in a local, national or other publication announces the death and funeral details.

You don't have to decide whether to put a memorial on the grave or on the site of the burial or cremation.

3. Transport

You'll need to decide on the size and makeup of the cortege (the hearse and the cars following).

Will it be a standard, motorbike or horse-drawn hearse?

How many cars will be needed?

Where will the cortege leave from?

Will it take a special route?

Will you require wheelchairs for elderly or disabled mourners?

Where will you return to afterwards?

4. Bearing the coffin

Some families decide that they would like to bear the coffin themselves at the ceremony, instead of a

5. Music

Many people now ask for specific pieces of music to be played at the service. Your Funeral Director

6. Eulogies

A eulogy is when someone pays tribute to a person's life by saying a few words that will help

7. Catering

You may wish to offer guests refreshments after the funeral. You will need to decide who will

8. Burial or cremation?

If there is no grave in existence and a new grave is required, this can be arranged directly with

If you opt for cremation, this will take place shortly after the funeral committal service is
This is an option that will have been specified in someone's Will or prepaid funeral plan.
So these are the usual options to consider. Other possibilities can be discussed with your funeral

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