50 Things That Must Be Done on the Most Difficult Day of Your Life



Sele	ect:	Check:
1.	Funeral arrangement time	
2.	Place of service	
3.	Time of service	
4.	A cemetery and cemetery lot	
5.	Casket or cremation urn	
6.	Vault or outer burial container	
7.	Clothing for deceased	
8.	Flowers	
9.	Music	
10.	Register book	
11.	Acknowledgement cards	
12.	Pictures or mementos to be displayed	
13.	Transportation	
Not	ify:	
1.	The doctor or hospice	
2.	The funeral home	
3.	The cemetery or memorial park	
4.	The minister and church	
5.	Relatives	
6.	Friends	
7.	Employers of those who will miss work	
8.	Organist, singer, or other musician	
9.	Pallbearers	
10.	Insurance agents	
11.	Unions and fraternal organizations	
12.	Newspapers	
13.	Social Security office	



Prepare:

1.	Gather necessary papers to sign		
2.	Compile addresses for all those who must be notified		
3.	Meet with extended family about details		
4.	Cleaning and preparing home for guests		
Provide:			
1.	Vital statistics and obituary information		
2.	Answering sympathetic phone calls and messages		
3.	Greeting friends and relatives who visit		
4.	Securing lodging for out-of-town guests		
5.	Hiring caterer or finding location for funeral meal		
Pay	For:		
1.	Doctor fees		
2.	Nurse fees		
3.	Hospital fees		
4.	Medicine and medical equipment costs		
5.	Funeral costs		
6.	Cemetery lot charge		
7.	Interment charge		
8.	Minister honorarium		
9.	Organist, singer, or other musician honorarium		
10.	. Florist charges		
11.	. Transportation/airline costs		
12.	. Clothing/dry cleaning costs		
13.	. Crematory fees		
14.	. Food/catering costs		
15.	. Grave marker and engraving		
16.	Attorney fees for estate		