Survivor's Checklist After Death

Although your grief after the death of a friend or family member can make it difficult to focus on tasks, you must still attend to several things that need to be done immediately after a death occurs, and in the weeks and months that follow.



- [ ] At the Time of Death, Make the Right Call
- [ ] Contact a Funeral Home
- [ ] Review Funeral Plans or Begin Making Them
- [ ] Contact Attorney, Accountant and Executor of Estate
- [ ] Contact Employers
- [ ] Contact Social Security
- [ ] Contact the Veterans Administration
- [ ] Contact Life-Insurance Companies and File a Claim
- [ ] Notify Credit-card Companies and Pay Off Balances
- [ ] Discontinue Utilities
- [ ] Forward Mail at the Post Office
- [ ] Find Estate Documents
- [ ] Locate Important Financial Documents
- [ ] Collect Asset and Liability Information
- [ ] Inventory and Distribute Personal Belongings
- [ ] File the Deceased's Final Tax Return

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