

*planning a*  
**MEMORIAL SERVICE**  
FOR A BABY

A PLANNING CHECKLIST



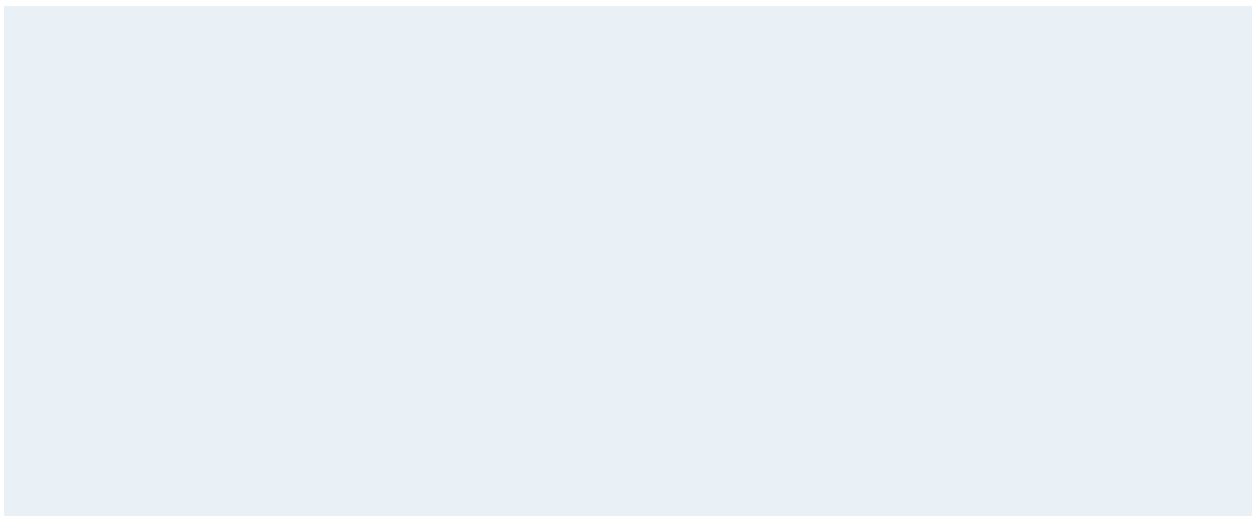
# 01.

## SERVICE LOGISTICS

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- CHOOSE A FUNERAL HOME
- BURIAL OR CREMATION
- CHOOSE CASKET OR URN
- CHOOSE THE FUNERAL LOCATION AND TYPE OF FUNERAL SERVICE.
- CHOOSE A PRIVATE SERVICE WITH CLOSEST FRIENDS AND FAMILY OR A SERVICE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC?
- SELECT A DATE AND TIME FOR THE SERVICE, TYPICALLY WEEKEND OR WEEKDAY EVENING
- DECIDE IF YOU WILL HAVE A VIEWING OR A VISITATION.
- IF SO, WHEN AND WHERE THE VIEWING OR VISITATION WILL TAKE PLACE.
- DECIDE IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEND A FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
- CHOOSE THE PASTOR OR THE OFFICIATOR.
- DECIDE WHAT YOUR BABY WILL WEAR.
- WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE YOUR BABY PRIVATELY BEFORE THE SERVICE?
- WOULD YOU LIKE TO DRESS YOUR BABY?
- IS THERE ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE WITH YOUR BABY?
- DECIDE IF YOU WANT YOUR BABY'S BODY AND CASKET PRESENT AT THE SERVICE.
- ARRANGE FOR FUNERAL TRANSPORTATION
- SELECT WHO YOU WANT TO BE THE PALLBEARERS IF BURIAL IS PLANNED.
- CHOOSE A CEMETERY & SELECT A BURIAL PLOT IF BURIAL IS PLANNED.
- ARRANGE TO HAVE THE SERVICE PHOTOGRAPHED, RECORDED, OR VIDEOTAPED.

NOTES



# 02.

## SERVICE DETAILS

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- DETERMINE THE ORDER OF SERVICE
- SELECT THE MUSIC FOR THE FUNERAL SERVICE.
- CHOOSE LITERATURE TO BE READ AT THE FUNERAL SERVICE. (BOOKS, POEMS, SCRIPTURE)
- CHOOSE WHICH FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS WILL BE INVOLVED AND IN WHAT WAYS

MUSIC TO BE PLAYED

LITERATURE TO BE READ

FAMILY & FRIENDS

WAYS TO INVOLVE FAMILY & FRIENDS THROUGHOUT THE SERVICE:

- WRITE AND READ LETTERS
- SHARE THEIR FAVORITE MEMORY
- READ YOUR FAVORITE CHILDREN'S BOOK
- READ SCRIPTURE
- PRAY

NOTES





# 03.

## MAKE IT SPECIAL

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- HAVE A COLOR THEME \_\_\_\_\_
- PAPER GOODS \_\_\_\_\_
- SHOW A MEMORIAL SLIDESHOW \_\_\_\_\_
- DECOR \_\_\_\_\_
- FAVORS \_\_\_\_\_

### PAPER GOODS

FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENT  
PROGRAM  
GUESTBOOK  
MEMORY CARDS

### FAVORS

BOOKMARK  
FLOWER SEEDS  
BUTTONS  
PLANTABLE SEED CARD

### DECOR

WELCOME SIGN  
FLORALS  
BALLOONS  
PHOTOGRAPHS  
FOOTPRINTS & HANDPRINTS  
MEMORIAL DISPLAY WITH FAVORITE THINGS

### NOTES

Large empty rectangular area for notes.



# 04.

## AFTER THE SERVICE

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- RELEASE
- PLANT A TREE
- RECEPTION

### RELEASE

BALLOONS  
BUTTERFLIES  
DOVES  
FLOATING LANTERNS  
FLOWER PETAL SCATTERING

### RECEPTION

WHEN  
WHERE  
WHO (IS IN CHARGE)  
WHAT (FOOD, DRINKS, DESSERTS, ETC.)

### NOTES



# 04.

## RECEPTION DETAILS

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- LOCATION \_\_\_\_\_ TIME \_\_\_\_\_
  - LOCATION ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_
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TO ORDER OR BUY

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