Funeral Consumers Alliance of Minnesota

AFTER DEATH ARRANGEMENTS

(If you have accessed this 2-page form electronically, print on both sides of one sheet.)

Full name (print) __________________________________________________________________________

Last First Middle

Information and instructions for my survivors

Preference for disposition of my body

☐ Cremation
  ☐ In a basic cremation container
  ☐ In a wooden cremation casket
  ☐ Ashes to be given to my survivors
    ☐ to be scattered (place / location)____________
  ☐ to be interred in grave or columbarium
  ☐ Green (non-flame) cremation

☐ Burial
  ☐ Immediate Burial
  ☐ Green burial
  ☐ Conventional funeral with visitation
    ☐ Embalming ☐ No embalming
    Casket made of ☐ wood ☐ metal
  ☐ Graveside ceremony
  ☐ I own a cemetery lot or columbarium niche
    (name, location, telephone)____________________

  ☐ I do not own a cemetery lot /niche. Preferred
    cemetery________________________

☐ Donation of my body to medical school or tissue
bank (name, location, telephone)

Flowers at ceremony ☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Memorial donations to:
  __________________________________________
  __________________________________________

Location of Funeral Ceremony if somewhere
other than funeral home / crematory

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☐ Home Funeral
If possible, I would like my body prepared by family
and or friends, and a visitation and viewing held in the
home. For assistance with a home funeral, contact:
  __________________________________________
  For disposition of my body, see above.

Obituary notice
☐ Yes ☐ No
Notice to be placed in (name of newspaper/s)
  __________________________________________
  __________________________________________

Funeral home / Crematory
I have made arrangements with or have signed an
agreement with a funeral home / crematory.
☐ Yes ☐ No
The funeral home / crematory has a copy.
☐ Yes ☐ No
(Funeral home / Crematory name, location, telephone no.)

I have prepaid for my funeral / cremation, and a copy
of my contract is attached. ☐ Yes ☐ No

I have a funeral savings account, and account access
information is attached. ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ I hereby consent to an autopsy if requested by
medical authorities. (In some circumstances, an autopsy
is required.)

(Continued on reverse side)
About my instructions:

☐ These instructions are my firm wishes.
☐ These instructions are my preferences. My designee or survivors may do as they think best.

Additional instructions, such as instructions for my funeral ceremony, are attached. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Legal Authority: Under Minnesota law, if you wish to designate a person as having the authority to control your body after death as well as its final disposition, you must have this document signed and dated in the presence of two witnesses or a notary public.

☐ In accord with Minnesota Statutes 149A.80, DEATH; RIGHT TO CONTROL AND DUTY OF DISPOSITION, I designate the following person to have authority to control my body after death as well as its final disposition.
(Name and contact information for this person): ______________________________________________________________________________________

Signature ____________________________________________ Date ______________________

Statement of Witnesses: I personally witnessed the signing of this document, and I certify that I am not the appointed person having authority as described in Minnesota Statutes 149A.80.

Witness Number One: Signature ______________________ Date: ______________

Print name ______________________________________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________________

Witness Number Two: Signature ______________________ Date: ______________

Print name ______________________________________________________________________

Address _______________________________________________________________________

or

Notary Public:

In my presence on ______________ (date), _____________________________ (name) acknowledged his or her signature on this document or acknowledged that he or she authorized the person signing this document to sign on his or her behalf. I am not named as an agent in this document.

Signature of notary: ________________________________________________________________

Notary stamp: ____________________________

☐ No person has been designated to have control of my body after death. (I understand that in accord with Minnesota Statutes 149A.80 Subd. 2, the descending priority of authority for final disposition of my body after death devolves upon in the order of priority listed: my spouse; my adult child or a majority of my adult children; either of my parents; my adult sibling or a majority of my adult siblings; my adult grandchild or a majority of my adult grandchildren; my adult nieces and nephews or an majority of them.)

Keep this form where it can be easily found.
Give copies to those who will be responsible for your arrangements.

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